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TRE MAGEE CARPET WORKS.

On Saturday February 20th judgments were confessed by the Magee Carpet Works for $26,000 in favor of James Magee 2nd, trustee, and $5,300 in favor of C. C. Peacock, trustee and $15,500 in favor of same.

Executions were issued and placed in the hands of the sheriff, who made a levy and advertised a sale, which took place last Saturday afternoon. All the personal property in the mill was sold, and was bought in by C. W. Miller Esq., attorney for the plaintiff in the writs.

The Magee Carpet Works are said to be the sixth in size in the United States. The mills are splendidly equipped throughout for the manufacture of ingrain and tapestry carpets, and art squares, and spinning worsted yarn. Their capacity is sufficient to employ nearly 1000 hands, though owing to the depression in business only about 250 have been employed recently, and the pay roll amounts to $8000 a month. The great trouble has been, not in bad management, but in the want of sufficient capital to carry on so extensive a plant, and the stagnation in trade. Last September a number of mortgage bonds matured, and owing to lack of funds there was a default in payment. Then the creditors began to press on every side. Efforts were made by the management to raise money, and to secure an extension of time from creditors, but these efforts failed, and it became necessary to take some steps to prevent the sacrifice of the property so that the plant could still be kept in operation. The stopping of a great factory means not only loss to the community by throwing employees out of work, but also great damage to the intricate machinery from standing idle and without proper care

These judgments were therefore confessed to secure preferred creditors, and the full value of the personal property will thus be realized by the trustees for the benefit of the creditors named. It is probable now that the real estate will be sold at sheriff's sale, and there will be a reorganization, whereby it is hoped to put the plant on its feet, and thus give employment to hundreds of our people.

No greater calamity could happen to Bloomsburg than to have this splendid establishment, worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, close down indefinitely. The whole town is interested in its prosperity, and those who are giving their time and means in an endeavor to put it on a sound financial basis should receive encouragement from every quarter.

VERY EASY.

The Danville Basket Ball Team Furnish Amusement for the Normal.

The game in Normal "gym" on Thursday night between Danville and the Normal was a very tame affair. Danville's weakness made the game too uninteresting to watch. The Normal boys simply toyed with the visitors, and for a while it looked as thongh they would be blanked, but Worthington's men eased up and aided by a couple of fouls, Danville succeeded in scoring.

This is the second defeat Danville has suffered here this season, and they ought to be convinced by this time that they can't play the game.

The work of Young at Centre throughout the whole game, was of the gilt edged order, while considerable credit is also due Moore.

The line up:

NORMAL.		DANVILLE.
Moore, Berry	Attack	Beddoe, Marks
Young,	Centre,	Pennepacker.
Harrar, Worthington	Defense	Hoffner. Gaskins.

Two halves of twenty minutes. Fouls called, Berry, Worthington 2, Young, Hoffner.

Goals from field, Moore 3, Young 3, Worthington 3. From fouls, Moore, Marks, Beddoe.

Umpire, Douglass. Referee, Van-Horn. Score Normal 19, Danville 2.

COMING ENTERTAINMENTS.

Mar. 4—At the Opera House, the J. E. Toole Company in "Killarney and the Rhine."

Mar. 11—The king of humorists, "Bob" Burdette.

Announcements of any other entertainments will be made under this head without charge, by leaving word at this office.

Rev. A. J. McCann attended the annual conference of the priests of the diocese of Harrisburg, which was in session at that city last week.

WEDDINGS QUITE PLENTIFUL.

Two Happy Young Couples Married on Thursday.

POSTEN—KRUM.

There was a very pretty wedding at the home of Mrs. E. B. Krum, on East Street Thursday afternoon. The bride was Miss Sadie Krum and the groom John W. Posten. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. B. C. Conner of the Methodist Church and was a very quiet affair. Hearty congratulations followed, and after partaking of the wedding supper the newly married left on the up train on the D. L. & W. for a wedding trip.

KNIES—RINGROSE

Shortly after the above ceremony was over, the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ringrose of West Street was the scene of another happy event, when their only daughter Hattie W., was married to John W. Knies of Hazleton. The ceremony was witnessed by about twenty people and was performed by Rev. B. C. Conner. The bride and groom took the 8:20 train for a wedding tour. The COLUMBIAN extends its best wishes.

"AGITATORS."

The attendance at the Parish House Tuesday night, was not so very large, which was probably due to the bad weather. The entertainment was opened with a selection by a mixed quartette, and after a few remarks on the object and work of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, by the Rector Rev. D N. Kirkby, John Harman, Esq., introduced the speaker, Fred Ikeler Esq. who delivered his well known lecture on "Agitators." He described the different kinds of agitators, and to say that the audience was both charmed and delighted is but faint praise. He is one of the most intelligent and talented of platform entertainers. A selection by the quartette concluded the program.

The proceeds were about $20, which will go into the new organ fund. The members of the Brotherhood desire to publicly express their thanks to Mr. Ikeler for his gratuitous services.

NORMAL BEATEN AT PITTSTON.

The Normal basket ball team, went to Pittston on Monday and were defeated by the score of 19 to 4. The Pittston *Gazette* in commenting on the game has the following to say:

"It was shortly after eight o'clock when the visitors came on the floor. They made a fine appearance. Every member was well developed and showed results of good physical training. Notwithstanding that they were defeated, they played an excellent game. Their numerous pretty passes were features of the game and proved them to be scientific players with the right idea of the game.

The game was played with five men on a side and with an undivided floor at the request of the Bloomsburg players. This was slight handicap for the Pittston boys as they have always been accustomed to play with nine men and a divided floor. For the visitors Worthington and Moore played a star game, while the team work as a whole was the finest that has been seen in this city in the past."

The chicken and hot cake supper at the Parish House last Thursday evening was a great success. It was advertised from 5 to 9 o'clock, but by 7.30 the chicken was all gone and the sale of tickets was stopped. Ample provision had been made for 150 people, but from five to seven o'clock there was a rush, and the receipts show that nearly 230 persons got their suppers. The supper was gotten uy by the members of the choir, and no contributions were solicited. It was prepared by expert cooks, most of them relatives of the choristers, and was pronounced excellent in every particular. Several young ladies not of the choir assisted in serving at the tables. The receipts were $57.90, and expenses $16.90, net profits $41.00.

The choir desires to thank all who assisted them, and also the large number who so liberally patronized them.

The coffee served was the Parker Mills brand, sold by J. D. Armstrong. It was contributed.

The following letters are advertised March 2, 1897. Mr. B. Albertson, Mr. Howard Barge, Mr. John H. Brown, Mess. John Bush & Son, Mr. B. Kellam, Mrs. Carrie S. Keffer, Mrs. Anna Keltner, Mr. Erwin Pursel, J. A. Rophaupt, Mr. J. D. Rutledge. Will be sent to the dead letter office March 16, 1897.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

THE LEADER COMPANY STORE.

Last week Tuesday there appeared in several Philadelphia papers a dispatch dated at Bloomsburg stating that the Bloomsburg Carpet Works, the Magee Carpet Works, and the Leader Store, all owned by the same people, had failed for $100,000. There was no truth in this statement so far as the Leader Store was concerned. It has not failed, and is open and in full operation now, and will so continue. The foundation for the report lay in the fact that the Magee Carpet Works had confessed judgments for large amounts, and executions were issued thereon, and it is generally supposed that James Magee 2nd has a large interest in the Leader Store.

Among the papers that published this article were the *Times*, *Press*, *Inquirer*, and several others. They were notified at once of the error, and the next day or two corrected the statement, and admitted that it was untrue so far as the Leader Co., was concerned. A representative of the *Inquirer* was in town looking the matter up, as that paper and probably all the others, had been notified that the case had been placed in the hands of attorneys by the Leader Co., who claim that their credit has been injured, and that they have been greatly damaged by the publication. The *Times* gives J. F. Tracy, as its informant and made retraction, as did all the others.

It was a gross piece of carelessness to send such a dispatch, for a visit at the Prothonotary's office would have shown that no judgments had been entered against the Leader Co. If the papers named do not settle, it is likely that suits will be brought against them.

Prof. Coles For March.

Earth has passed out of the "House of Death," and will soon be beyond the reach of old Red Warrior Mars and his evil influences. Business men will soon be able to congratulate themselves over the victory won, at last, after a four year's battle with the Panic Microbes. Now ring in the new Era of Prosperity! And, may God bless the business men of our country and prosper them.

Earth is now in the "House of Religion" and unexpected religious difficulties will arise in many sections of the country and cause much excitement. This month is the preachers opportunity to do much good, or to do much evil, for the Planets are in the right position to test their religious faith. If there be any wicked microbes in preacher's brains they will show themselves this month and next.

Some time between the 9th and 13th, presumably on the 13th, when the vital forces fall from "high flood" to "low ebb" and return within 24 hours time) there will be a display of black lightning (not visible to the naked eye) that will throw the currents of magnetism and electricity both out of their normal conditions to such an extent that many electrical instruments will be rendered unfit for use, temporarily, and a readjustment of those phenomenal electrical currents will cause terrible gales on land and sea.

We have reasons to believe that the abnormal currents of natural electricity and magnetism this month, will cause an epidemic of stomach and bowel troubles strange new epidemics and great disturbances among the monsters of the deep sea, that many of them, will be for the shore. And, that all persons born under the planets Uranus or Neptune, will contract fits of despondency, bordering on religious insanity. A chart, showing the true position of these planets, will be sent, free, to anyone interested in our forecast.

Mercury is now in the sign Aquarius; Venus is in the sign Virgo; Mars is in sign Leo, while Saturn and Uranus are still in sign Scorpio. Therefore cabbage seed should be sowed on Wednesday, the 31st. The best days for sowing will be the 15th, 16th, 23rd and 24th; the second best days will be the 4th, 5th, 6th, 30th and 31st, and the third best days will be the 1st, 10th and 27th.

The entertainment at the Parish House Monday night, by the Sunday School, was pretty well patronized, and the whole program was rendered in a very pleasing manner. The recitations by Miss Marie Robbins and Miss Geraldine Gross were exceptionally fine, as were also the several selections rendered by the Mandolin and Guitar Club.

Court Proceedings.

Court convened on Monday morning at nine o'clock with President Judge Ikeler and Associate J. T. Fox on the bench.

License of Geo. Aurand and Son tranferred to Harry Aurand.

License of tavern in Catawissa township transferred from Walter Morris to J. R. Bibby.

Hotel license of J. W. Lore, Iola, transferred to B. D. Morton.

Estate of Wm. Yorgey, deceased. Order of sale continued to first day of May term.

Estate of James W. Hess, deceased, Jno. G. Kline and Ira J. Thomas appointed appraisers.

Application of Geo. S. Fleckenstine, County Treasurer, presented asking Court to fix his commission, as County Commissioners had failed to do so.

Geo. S. Fleckenstine County Treasurer vs. County of Columbia. Now, Feb. 27, the Commissioners of Columbia County appeal from the action of the commissioners and county auditors because of their failure to fix the compensation of Geo. S. Fleckenstine as County Treasurer, to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County.

Signed, WM. KRICKBAUM.
JNO. N. GORDON.
NEHEMIAH KITCHEN.

Petition of J. B. McHenry Sheriff. presented, for the approval of the appointment of Harry H. Kline as jailor and keeper of the prisoners and allow the wages of said jailor or keeper. "Now, March 1st 1897, the within petition having been read in open Court, the appointment of Harry H. Kline as keeper of the malefactors and prisoners in the county jail by J. B. McHenry, Sheriff of Columbia County, under act of April 5, 1890, Dec. 28, is hereby approved and the wages of Harry H. Kline as keeper aforesaid are hereby ascertained and fixed at the sum of $25 per month and the Treasurer of Columbia County is hereby directed to pay the said wages monthly out of the moneys in his hands raised for the use of county, by warrant drawn by the said Sheriff and at least one of the commissioners of the proper county.

BY THE COURT.

John Ridesdale & Co. vs. The Magee Carpet Works. Judgment for want of sufficient affidavit of defense asked for. On motion of C. G. Barkley, Attorney for plaintiff, it appearing from an examination of the plaintiff's declaration and the affidavit of defense filed on the part of the defendant that the affidavit is insufficient, and notice of the intended application for judgment for want of sufficient affidavit * * * * judgment is granted the plaintiff for the amount claimed.

Brown Bros. Co. vs. the Magee Carpet Works. Now, March 1st, on motion of C. G. Barkley attorney for Plaintiff, rule is granted upon Defendant to show cause why the appeal should not be stricken off.

Petition of Wm. B. Goodhart, presented, for rule on J. B. McHenry Sheriff to make return to the writ of Fi Fa September term 212 '95. Rule granted, returnable at Argument Court.

Claimed She Was 110.

"Granny Adams' Remarkable Preservation in Old Age.

Mrs. Sarah Adams, commonly known as "Granny Adams," died Sunday night, at Danville, aged nearly 110 years. She was born May 12, 1787, in Norfolk, Va. With her parents she removed to this place from Northumberland in 1832. She was married to Mathias Manley, at Northumberland on October 31, 1844. Manley died in 1852, after which she was married to Robert Adams, who died in 1870. "Granny" joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1827.

At the time of her death she possessed all her faculties, and could read without the aid of glasses. Her maiden name was Miss Sarah Smith.

Robert Edgar, a well known resident of Fishingcreek township, died at the home of his brother T. H. Edgar, at Stillwater on Thursday last, aged about sixty-five years. Funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, interment being made in the cemetery at that place.

William Watts, a former Bloomsburger, now residing at Sunbury, had business in town on Tuesday. He is trying to complete arrangements to have this town represented in a base ball league the coming season.

❋Love is the Scepter❋

Which rules the world, but money is a handy thing to have, even if we are so fortunate as to possess love. Our undisputed values in Suits, Overcoats, Reefers, Trousers, Hats and Furnishings, together with their high standard of excellence combine in making this the popular store. At present we're talking Hats. New Spring Styles. The values fairly bristle. $1.00 for a regular $1 50 Sportsman. $1.50, $2.00, $2.50 $3.00 for the finer grades, in all colors.

GIDDING'S

BASE BALL NOTES.

It is rumored that a number of towns around this section are trying to form an organization to be known as the Central Pennsylvania League. We understand that Shamokin, Sunbury, Williamsport, Renova and two other towns not yet named will compose the circuit. There was a member of the Sunbury club in town on Tuesday, trying to secure Bloomsburg as a member of the League. We have not learned whether he was successful or not. We are of the opinion that a league team in this town, would prove a failure. It has been tried in the past and has been unsuccessful, and when the conditions were a great deal more favorable than they are at the present time. A considerable time and money would be required to fix up the park, the fences are all down, the grandstand needs repairing and it would require much work before the grounds could be put in playing condition. But beside this, the Normal School will have base ball till the middle of June, which would undoubtedly affect the patronage of the town team. Thus it will be easily seen that the outlook for a paid club in Bloomsburg is very discouraging, and the management would have to have a barrel of money or drop out of the race before the season is half over. Nevertheless if any one has nerve enough to undertake the task of starting a club, we hope the crowds that turn out will be so large that ground rules will be necessary in order that the games may be played. Bloomsburg people used to patronize the national sport, why don't they now?

B. F. Zarr Esq., Receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Co., has filed his first account in the Prothonotary's office, showing that he has received to this time $25,428.62, and he has paid out for rent of room, clerk hire, attorneys' fees, commissions and other expenses $1707.73, leaving a balance of $23,720.89 for distribution among the depositors. The order of court published in this issue shows what proceedings will be taken in the matter.

BURDETTE!

If you do not believe that Bloomsburg is booming, just notice the fact that the great humorist, Robert J. Burdette, who can seldom be obtained to lecture outside the large cities, is coming here March 11th.

The *St. Paul Pioneer* says of him:

Burdette, the genial humorist, had reason to feel proud of the audience that greeted him at Ford's Music hall last night. It was large, select and very appreciative, and must have mightily pleased Burdette, for he was delightfully witty and wonderfully entertaining in the humorous discourse, which has pleased so many large audiences. His manner of gesticulating, the merry twinkle of his eye, the tunny chuckle that often creeps into his talk, are all mirth creating, and he is one of the happiest combinations ever seen or heard in St. Paul. He talks straight ahead, as though laughter was not expected or desired, but at times during his talk he was interrupted by decidedly hearty specimens of the article. Occasionally his little chuckle and the significant glance of his eye so completed and rounded off some funnyism that people laughed almost hysterically, and Burdette could not refrain from joining in the general laugh. He is whole-souled, genial, good-natured in actions and appearance, and he and his audience simply visited with each other.

A report was circulated about town one day last week that John Brooks of this town had made an attempt on his own life by taking poison, but proved to be untrue. The young man says he had a pain in his side, and did take laudanum, but not with suicidal intent.

The proceeds of the oyster supper at the Presbyterian Church last Tuesday night were $66.00. It will be applied to payment for repairs at the manse.

W. H. Rhawn, Esq., on Wednesday of last week handed in his resignation as County solicitor. R. R. Little was elected as his successor, at a salary of $200 a year.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

GRAND OPERA GROWING IN FAVOR IN THIS COUNTRY.

Americans Are Taking Kindly to Classical Music Which at One Time Met With Indifference—Nordica Says the Salaries of Singers Are Higher Here Than Abroad.

M. Castelmary's latest appearance in a new part was in the recent production of "Siegfried," when he sang for the first time on any stage the role of Fafner, the dragon. He sang then in German for the first time in his life, and was greatly elated at his victory over the difficult text of the part. Following the lead of his friends, the de Reszkes, he had recently become an ardent admirer of the works of Wagner, and he enjoyed his performance of the growling dragon with the spirits of a boy. In the "character" parts of grand opera he was eminently successful, and his Dancairo in "Carmen" ranked as one of the brightest buffo performances on the stage.

M. CASTLEMARY.
(Who died on the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House.)

Castelmary was born in France and was well educated. It was reported that he came of a noble family, and had the right to the title of Count, which he declined to use. In early years he took the operatic stage, and became passionately attached to his profession. He first became known in America in 1870, when he appeared in French opera in New Orleans. His next engagement was in Booth's Theatre. In 1886 he took a company to Santiago, Chile, where he lost 100,000f. at the Theatre Nacionale. His greatest success was in the character of Mephistopheles, in "Faust." He sang and acted the part with great success all over the country. He made it a rollicking, humorous part, and to such a performance, it may be remarked, he was especially adapted.

Speaking of grand opera abroad and in the United States, in a recent interview, Mme. Nordica said: The assertion that salaries are the same on the Continent as in the United States is not correct.

It is a fact that in London an artist may be paid the same per night as he is in New York, but nothing additional goes with it. He gets no percentage on the gross receipts or anything of that kind.

MME. NORDICA.

In Paris he may receive as many francs per night as he gets dollars in New York, but the difference is readily perceivable.

At the same time the demands upon the artist are greater in New York and all over the United States than on the Continent. In Europe three or four operas will be selected for the season and these only will be given. In New York a nightly change of bill is demanded, with a matinee.

It is true that the season is longer on this side of the water than on the other, and herein lies the value to the artist who comes here from Europe. He has the opportunity of making more money than on the Continent, although at the same time it is true that his expenses are much greater here. In this way it may be said the great salaries paid here are in a measure equalized by the smaller salaries paid in Europe.

I may, perhaps, be permitted to give you an instance. If I am singing in London, a shilling will pay my cab fare from my hotel to the opera house. In New York, say I am stopping at the Savoy, I pay $5 for a carriage to and from the Metropolitan Opera House. Everything else is in proportion.

You cannot wonder, then, why operatic salaries are higher in the United States than in Europe. There are long distances to travel, frequent rehearsals because of the more extensive repertoire, and more work to be done in every way. One is also expected to be proficient in three languages. There is a greater number of performances, and the participants are continuously at work.

The Macready Institute in London, was started in a small way some twenty years ago by Courthorpe Todd, who opened a clubroom for poor actresses, in the hope of saving some of them from the privations and dangers to which they are often exposed. His plans prospered, and the place was enlarged, till the house now called the Macready Institute was built.

ROSE FANCHON.

FASHIONS FANCIES.

Large Hats Still Larger, but Brims Usually Narrow at the Back.

The Princess dress is very popular in Paris, and many handsome gowns of velvet and silk for weddings and other dressy occasions are cut in this style.

Wide ribbons, plaited chiffon, lace, and flowers in great profusion will constitute the main feature of hat trimming, and black hats will be very popular, despite the fact that brilliant color characterizes the finish of straw hats.

Lightness seems to have been the main effect of the designers in hats this season, and it can be a boon to all womankind if the milliners do not offset this by loading the hats with trimming. Japanese rush and Japanese straw help out the variety in lightweight effects, and Panama hats will be much worn for cycling.

The fancy for one-sided effects on bodices has extended to the back as well as the front, and evening gowns do not escape this mode altogether; yet it can hardly become popular, since it in so many cases interferes with the graceful outline of the figure. Lapping one side of the back, just a little past the middle, in a cluster of small plaits, is the most successful method of accomplishing this end, and the dressmaker will tell you that it is a very becoming style.

Large hats are even larger than they were in the fall, and the crowns are medium broad and medium in height. The brim is usually narrower at the back than at the front, but some shapes widen at the sides where the brim turns up, and others turn up at the back, with plumes underneath the brim. There are fluted brims in every shape imaginable, but the old sailor shape in the new light braids bids fair to head the list of popular hats.

GOSSIP OF THE WHEEL.

After numerous experiments, a correspondent has found that cottonseed oil, in the proportion of forty to sixty per cent. of kerosene, produces as nearly perfect a light for cycles as is possible.

She—"Oh, Jack! Do you know Mr. Gibson punctuated his tire yesterday?"

He—"You mean punctured, my dear."

She—"Well, anyway, he came to a full stop."—Sketch.

The paternal character of the French government is amusingly exemplified in one of the rules of the Bicycle Touring Club, of France, which, of course, bear the stamp and seal of the Minister of the Interior. No woman, either French or foreign, can become a member, or tour, unless furnished with a declaration, notorially witnessed and signed by her father or husband, to the effect that she has permission.

In Vienna all bicycle-riders, before obtaining permission to ride in the public streets, are required to pass an examination. They have to ride between boards laid on the floor without touching the sides or edges of them. At the word of command they must be able to dismount either right, left, or backward; and until the rider passes this examination satisfactorily a license to ride on the public highway is refused him.

Frequently a wheelman finds the tire of his bicycle deflated, and immediately begins to look for a puncture. A hole in the tire is not always the source of the trouble, however, as the leak may come from a defective valve. An easy way to test this is to fill a wine glass or narrow tumbler with water, then turning the wheel so that the valve is at the highest point, place the rim of the glass against the wheel so that the mouth of the valve stem is covered by the water. A leak, however slight, will make itself manifest by the bubbles appearing on the top of the water. The cause of the trouble may often be removed by working the plunger inside the valve stem up and down a few times with the point of the cap or with a lead pencil. Inflating or deflating a tire several times will also frequently cure a leaky valve. If neither of these remedies has the desired effect, the case is one for the repair man to attend to.

John Anderson, My Jo.

An old man, 75 years of age, and his wife, five years younger, in an English institution for the aged, recently requested the authorities to let them have a tandem bicycle, as they felt the need of exercise.—Daily paper.

John Anderson, my Jo, John,
I'm thinking much of late
That we are rather slow, John,
And not quite "up to date."
The other girls all wheel, John,
While I afoot do go,
I quite neglected feel, John,
John Anderson, my Jo.

What though we're seventy five, John,
We're sound of wind and limb,
And really ought to strive, John,
To keep up "in the swim."
A tandem we should share, John,
If we would stand a show,
And bloomers I shall wear, John,
John Anderson, my Jo.

John Anderson, my Jo, John,
You must not say me nay.
New women are the "go," John,
So all the papers say.
And I've made up my mind, John,
That I'll just let 'em know
The old ones are n't behind, John,
John Anderson, my Jo.

JOE LINCOLN.

THE WAR WIDOW.

Why "Miss Mary" Had Cause to Remember the Struggle of Long Ago.

"What a dear little old maid!" said the Northern visitor, as the charming Southerner tripped down the garden walk, prim little skirts gently stirred by the autumn breeze, shawl neatly folded over shoulders which had the slope of the true Virginia aristocrat, dark hair banded beneath the close little bonnet—an ideal type of spinsterhood.

Everyone laughed. "Miss Mary an old maid? Why, she's the fiercest war widow in the whole Shenandoah Valley. She bit a Union soldier's arm clean through to the bone once. You must get her to tell you the story, it's very interesting." The story was interesting—decidedly so.

"You see," said Mary, bending down to pick an invisible thread from the spotless rag carpet rug, "you see, there had been a good deal of trouble all along the valley because certain of our people were said to be giving signals by means of lights in the houses at night to the Confederate troops in the Blue Ridge heights. Sheridan was encamped all around us, and he had issued an order that any house showing a light after dark should be burned to the ground. It was a regular curfew."

"What did you do?" murmured her hearer sympathetically.

Miss Mary's laugh was a delightful thing to hear. No one would have suspected her of misfortune, and certainly not of the tragic experience of war. "Oh, it wasn't pleasant, but we all stumbled into bed in the dark—those who didn't go to sleep with the chickens. Well, one night, just at midnight, a messenger rode up to our door with a note for me. It was a note from one of my relatives, telling me that my favorite aunt was dying. Of course, I had to have a light for the purpose. I went up into the garret and lighted just one little candle"—ah, Miss Mary, what meant that odd gleam in your keen, dark eyes at the recollection?—"but it was seen, and early the next morning a regiment of soldiers filed into the yard marched up on to the gallery and into the kitchen and proceeded to turn the kitchen stove upside down, and set fire to the house. My father expostulated with the captain, showed the letter about my aunt, told him my mother was old and feeble and liable to die from the shock—it did kill her. Nothing availed; the house was ablaze in a dozen places, and the soldiers began ransacking everything.

"I rushed frantically up stairs and down, trying to secure the most valuable things, our money—we hadn't much—and the silver and jewelry. My two children were asleep on the third floor, taking their morning nap, when the excitement began; my little girl of 3 years and my baby boy. My first thought, of course, had been for them, and the negro nurse was directed to take them to a place of safety.

"I could see her in the distance, my little girl running about, so I took it for granted they were all right. But suddenly I had an inspiration—you know things are told you just as though a spirit spoke—I was dragging a small trunk out when the voice—it was nothing less—said, 'Go to your children.'

"I dropped the trunk, ran down to the quarters; there was the nurse, there was my little girl, but—there was no baby. 'Law, Miss Mary,' said the stupid black creature, wringing her hands and crying, 'he was so heavy I couldn't done tote 'em bofe.'

"I never stopped. I fairly flew back to the house; the nursery floor was already in flames. On the stairs a big, burly soldier barred the way, I tried to dodge past, but he caught me by the elbows—I'm not very big, you know—and held me out at arm's length.

"I couldn't stop to argue; time was precious. I just ducked my head down, bit at the fleshy part of his wrist and—let my teeth meet. He dropped me with an oath. I scampered past and caught up my baby just in time. The bed clothes were on fire."

A flash of the old bitterness and storm stirred Miss Mary's mobile features for the moment; then she leaned back, with her own musically Southern ripple of laughter. "Well, well, those days are past, and my baby's a father, and I'm a grandmother, and you, my dear, were invited to eat Sally Lunn and drink tea, which is a heap more polite than telling tales against the Yankees. Let's go and have our supper."—New York Tribune.

His Awful Break.

"Horatius!" said the professor's wife, "I don't believe you're heard a word that I've said, and here I've been talking for half an hour!"

"Well," said the pondering professor, "who would believe it? You seem just as fresh as when you started."

And it took him a week to square himself.—Cleveland Leader.

A Holiday Incident.

Wife—I think I will surprise you with the purchase of a watch to wear Christmas.

Husband—It will be an acceptable gift, and I shall wear it with pleasure.

Wife—Oh, but the one I should buy would be a lady's watch, suitable for me to carry.—Boston Budget.

Art.

"Did you not know," asked the court, "that such a poor copy of a genuine bill would surely be detected?"

The counterfeiter tossed his hair back from his blue-veined brow.

"I sought," he haughtily answered, "an artistic rather than a financial success."—Detroit Tribune.

He Was Discharged.

Police Magistrate—I would not like to think, prisoner, that you attempted suicide. Yet witnesses testify they saw you on the pier a minute before the accident. But why did you go off—

Tankley—Ish the ol' story—hic—I s'pose I didn't know I wash—hic—loaded.—Buffalo Times.

What Did He Mean?

"I cooked the dinner myself, love," remarked Mrs. Shingles when the meal had reached the dessert stage.

"It was not necessary to tell me that dear," replied Mr. Shingles.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

St. Vitus Vanquished.

What Cured Little Stanley Nichol of Chorea.

From the Republican-Journal, Ogdensburg, N. Y.

A letter was lately received at the office of the *Republican-Journal* from Hammond to the effect that the cure of an extraordinary severe case of St. Vitus' dance had been effected on the person of little Stanley Nichol, the eight-year-old son of Mrs. Charles Nichol of that village.

A reporter was accordingly dispatched in that direction who, after some inquiry, found Mrs. Nichol's residence about a mile outside the village. Mrs. Nichol said:

"A little over a year ago my boy, Stanley Nichol, who is now only eight years old, alarmed me one day by being taken with a strange gurgling in his throat. After the first the attacks became quite frequent. Stanley did not complain of any pain, but said that he could not help making the noise. At that time there was a New York doctor stopping in the village who was a specialist on throat and nasal diseases. I took my son to him and after a careful examination he said that there was nothing the matter with the boy's throat. The gurgling in his opinion was caused by a nervous contraction of the muscles of the throat. He asked who our family physician was and said that he would consult with him before he prescribed.

"Stanley rapidly grew worse. He was always a sickly boy. One day I noticed that he was jerking his arm up in a very peculiar manner. A few days later he seemed to lose control of his legs, first one and then the other would be pulled up and then straightened out again. He was a perfect bundle of nerves and was rapidly losing all control of himself. When eating at the table or drinking, his arm would often twitch so as to spill what he was drinking. One day he scared me terribly by throwing back his head and rolling his eyes up so that only the white parts showed. I took him to our family physician who prepared some medicine for him. He took it and commenced to improve. The dose, however, had to be increased and Stanley rebelled against taking it. It was very disagreeable medicine and I don't blame the boy for not wishing to take it.

"Our physician went to New York city on business and while he was away the medicine became exhausted and we could get no more. Stanley was still very bad. About that time I read about a little girl who had been cured of St. Vitus' dance by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I thought I would try them and procured a box. I followed the directions that came with pills, and gave only half a pill at a dose. I did not see much improvement and increased the dose to a whole pill. The effect was noticed in a day. Stanley immediately commenced to get better and did not object to taking the pills as he had the other medicine. He took seven boxes of the pills and to-day appears to be perfectly well. He discontinued taking them some time ago. He weighs nearly fifteen pounds more than he did and is strong and hearty. A year ago we took him out of school but he is so much better now that he is going to begin again this fall."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are sold in boxes (never in loose form, by the dozen or hundred) at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50, and may be had of all druggists or directly by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

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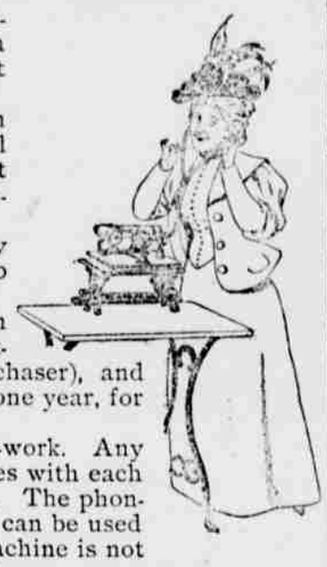

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Law as She Is.

Lawyer—You say you saw the prisoner, my client, commit the murder? Remember, you are on your oath. How do you know you saw him?

Witness—I saw him with my own eyes.

"Did you have on your spectacles?"

"I never wear spectacles."

"You don't? How do you know you don't need them? How do you know you don't see incorrectly? Answer that. Did you ever have your eyes examined?"

"Only once. I applied for a position on a railroad, and was refused because I could not tell an olive-green zephyr from a sea-green one."

"Ah, ha! Gentlemen of the jury, the witness admits that he is color blind, and yet he stood up here and perjured his soul to injure my client, when his own testimony shows he can't tell a white man from a negro."—*N. Y. Weekly.*

STRAY PARAGRAPHS.

—Longer days are coming.

—March winds are blowing.

—Led astray—a lost pencil.

—The man who falls from a ten-story building is pretty sure to be dead broke.

—It doesn't make much difference what the price of onions is, they are usually sold at 12 scents a dozen.

—An exchange says: that a doughnut isn't very big but it takes a fellow with a pretty good appetite to eat the hole of one.

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Electricity.

The electrical properties of amber were known to the Greeks before the Christian era. Electricity takes its name from the Greek word for amber. Gilbert in 1600 was the first to employ the terms "electric force" and "electric attractions." In 1748 Franklin's electrical researches had progressed so far that he killed a turkey by the electric spark and roasted it by an electric jack before a fire kindled by the electric bottle, and in 1752, by means of the kite experiment, he demonstrated the identity of electricity and lightning. The first magneto electric machine was made at Paris by Pixii in 1832; the first telegraph line in the United States was set up between Washington and Baltimore in 1844; the first submarine cable was laid between England and France in 1850. As early as 1802 Sir Humphry Davy produced an electric light with carbon points on almost the same principle as that now employed. The first electric railway on the continent of Europe was built by Slemens at Berlin in 1881; the first in England was constructed in 1882, and in America the first electric line was built in 1885.

Bread and Butter.

The newest diet suggested as productive of longevity is bread and butter. There is in Hythe, England, a lady who lives entirely on bresd and butter and has done so all her life. She has never tasted meat, fish, game, vegetables, jam and only a few kinds of biscuits and sweets. She has never had a day's illness in all her life, and never had recourse to medicine of any description. Her friends have tried in vain to induce her to eat something besides bread and butter, but she confines herself entirely to the diet on which she has existed for at least 30 years. She is strong and healthy in every respect, healthier, in fact, than a great many people who have lived upon exactly the food that is supposed to make us feel as if illness were a total stranger and almost would be —*London Letter.*

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THE MARKETS.

BLOOMSBURG MARKETS.

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Eggs per dozen	.16
Lard per lb	.08
Ham per pound	.11
Pork, whole, per pound	.06
Beef, quarter, per pound	.07
Wheat per bushel	1 00
Oats " "	30
Rye " "	.50
Wheat flour per bbl	80
Hay per ton	12 to $14
Potatoes per bushel,	.35
Turnips " "	.25
Onions " "	.40
Sweet potatoes per peck	.20
Tallow per lb	.4½
Shoulder " "	08
Side meat " "	.06
Vinegar, per qt	.07
Dried apples per lb	.05
Dried cherries, pitted	.12
Raspberries	.12
Cow Hides per lb	.3½
Steer " " "	.05
Calf Skin	.80
Sheep pelts	.75
Shelled corn per bus	.50
Corn meal, cwt	1.50
Bran, "	.75
Chop "	75 & 1.00
Middlings "	.75
Chickens per lb new	.10
" " " old	.08
Turkeys " "	.12½
Geese " "	.10
Ducks " "	.08

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26th, 1897.

Senator Hill's resolution calling upon Secretary Olney for copies of all communications to and from Consul General Lee, which was adopted by the Senate without a dissenting voice, is intended to solve the mystery as to the truth of the sensational statements saying that Gen. Lee had either actually tendered his resignation as Consul General to Cuba, or threatened to do so, unless the administration gave him better backing than it has been giving him in his fight to secure justice for Americans arrested in Cuba. It is also believed that it was intended as an affront to President Cleveland. It is customary in such resolutions to request the President to furnish the desired information, if in his opinion it is compatible with public interests. Senator Hill ignored the President entirely, and his resolution asks Secretary Olney for the information. Congress feels very ugly towards the administration on account of its Cuban policy, but there is no time left to do anything now, except to pass the appropriation bills.

Mr. Bryan was in Washington two days this week, and was the recipient of much attention. He was also the central figure in several important political conferences.

Representative Bailey, of Texas, gave the republicans a good-natured raking over in a speech which did not overlook the assistant republicans, about their embarrassment in distributing 60,000 offices among 350,000 applicants, and made the prediction that every one of the fifty Congressional districts which the republicans carried last November by majorities of less than 1,000 would go democratic at the next election. "Four years ago," said Mr. Bailey, "you laughed at our embarrassment; now we laugh at yours. You have no more chance of escaping the wrath of the office-seekers at the next Congressional elections than we had of escaping the disapproval of the people for the malacministration of the administration about to retire from power."

That a majority of the republicans in the House would like to see the civil service law thrown overboard was shown by the hearty applause with which they received the assertion of Delegate Flynn, of Oklahoma, that if he had his way he would wipe out the civil service law and fill every office with a republican within twenty-four hours after McKinley's inauguration. Representative Grosvenor, of Ohio, also jumped all over the civil service law and declared his belief that it would be repealed. Representative Bailey in reply to a direct question as to what he thought of the law promptly said: "I think it is a humbug," and when asked why the democratic party didn't repeal it when they had the power he said: "We didn't have sense enough then, but we shall know better hereafter." Representative Brosius, of Pa., chairman of the House Committee on Civil Service Reform, defended the law, and accused Grosvenor of having by his talk against it "fleshed a sword in the heart of the President elect," whatever that may mean. Whatever Mr. McKinley may do there is little doubt that Grosvenor will have a numerous support if he wishes to lead a fight against the law in the next House, and it will not be surprising if he does it.

The Senate Committee on Public Lands has this week been trying to get at all the bottom facts connected with the recent issue of a Florida land patent for 23,000 acres to Mr. Perrine, Mrs. Cleveland's step-father. Senator Tillman, who is a member of the committee, has been especially active in cross-examining the witnesses who have appeared before the Committee. The Committee has not yet reached a conclusion as to the regularity and legality of the patent.

Notwithstanding the protest of fruit importers, who claim that foreign fruits do not compete to any material extent with American products, inasmuch as they are mostly put on sale at a different season of the year, the republicans of the Ways and Means Committee have decided to place a duty upon tropical fruits which importers declare will be practically prohibitory.

There is trouble and a heap of it, ahead of Mark Hanna. The publication of interviews, in which he states that his first work upon entering the Senate will be to undertake the job of bossing the passage of the tariff bill, has aroused the ire of a number of republican Senators and Mr. Hanna may start his Senatorial career by getting himself mercilessly snubbed. It is very safe to say that he will not be a Senator long before he will regret announcing his intention to boss the body. Bossing the Senate is a very difficult job, as Mr. Hanna may learn if he will enquire of Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland, both of whom made failures in their several attempts to assume the role which he seems to think is as easy as buying impecunious delegates to a republican convention.

Cecil Rhodes is in hearty sympathy with the work of the Salvation Army, and has offered General Booth a plot of land in Rhodesia for the use of the organization.

The Post Office Department hasn't made a profit in any year since 1883, the year preceding the first election of Cleveland. In that year the receipts were $45,500,000 and the expenses $42,800,000.

Weyler went to Cuba a poor man. Now it is said that he has paid into the treasury 2,000,000 francs toward meeting the expenses of the Government in prosecuting the war. Where did he get it?

The Cuban tobacco yield the past year has been 75,000 bales, instead of 500,000 bales, the yield the year before. The sugar crop has been reduced to one-fourth of its former size, and will be smaller the coming year.

A London policeman serves eight hours a day and gets from $6 a week on entry to $8 at the end of eight years. The men are supplied with uniforms and boots, and they have coal money and certain extras. At the end of twenty-six years' service there is the superannuation pay for them.

Lord Salisbury, in discussing the plan to use coercive measures against Turkey, explains that there are "slight differences among the powers as to the manner in which the pressure is to be applied." This means, probably, that the European nations can't agree as to just how Turkey shall be divided when the time comes to carve it.

It is said that Patti lives in constant dread of burglars in her castle in Wales and that she has surrounded herself with a perfect network of burglar alarms, every entrance to the castle being thus guarded. Perhaps the diva hasn't thought of hanging out a placard announcing the usual prices of admission as a preventive of crooks. It might be tried with good results.

M. Zola is going to keep on trying to get into the French Academy. Perhaps he will "break the record" of Laujon, the song-writer, who was a persistent candidate for half a century, and was finally elected at the age of eighty-two, "because," they said, "he would soon go to Heaven, "and it was well that he should go "thither by way of the Academy."

Canada and Cuba are both colonies, and they represent the widest differences in colonial administration. Canada's loyalty to England is a token of the fairness and liberality of British law, while Cuba's hostility to the government at Madrid is a bold indictment of Spanish oppression and misrule. The condition of these two great colonies is an object lesson to the world in the contrasts of law and civilization.

A foolhardy feat has been performed by a young cyclist at Atlanta, Ga. He rode a bicycle down an inclined board platform two feet wide from the top of a high building into the waters of the adjacent lake. Four men held the machine while he mounted, and at the word "go," he was sent off, and in an instant shot into the water, going over the handlebars of his machine. Both rider and bicycle were fished out in good condition.

Dr. Grenier, the French Mohammedan deputy, goes to the lavatory of the Chamber of Deputies to perform his ritual ablutions. When the man in charge found him taking off his boots, washing his feet in the basins, and wiping them on the roller towel, he felt himself obliged to interfere. Dr. Grenier thereupon walked down to the banks of the Seine, washed his feet in the river in the presence of a crowd of 2,000 persons, and after going through his prayers returned to the Chamber.

A few months ago there was loud talk of war over a tract of swamp land in a wild corner of South America, and there were grave fears that the United States would be drawn into this conflict by its determination to maintain the Monroe doctrine. But the intervention of the United States has had the opposite effect. It has led the quarreling nations to adjust their dispute by arbitration instead of by fighting, and the result is a triumph for honest, peaceful diplomacy. It is an occasion for great rejoicing in North and South America and England.

Nine miles east of Uniontown, Penn., on the north side of the old National turnpike, in a field belonging to the estate formerly in the possession of James Dickson, is the grave of Braddock, which is still well cared for and tended. Pious hands guard and deck the resting place of the gallant but unfortunate warrior, who, here amid the wilderness, fell on sleep, his final action, though of bravery without stain, linking his name forever with calamity. The grave is protected by a fence and surrounded with trees, some of them brought from his native country and planted there.

THE SUGAR TRUST.

HOW THE HAVEMEYER'S STARTED IN BUSINESS.

Descendants of the Founders of the House of Havemeyer Now Dominate One of the Most Powerful Business Monopolies in the World.

The production and distribution of sugar constitute one of the largest factors in the great aggregate of the world's business. The business of refining sugar, or rendering the raw sugars pure and fit for consumption, measured by the value of its products, ranks ninth among the so-called manufacturing industries of the United States.

Now this gigantic industry, which directly affects every citizen in the United States, which is more or less directly affiliated with a score of other industries, is practically in the hands of one man. That man is Henry O. Havemeyer, the head of that consolidation of firms which calls itself the American Sugar Refineries Company, but is better known to the public as the Sugar Trust.

THEODORE O. HAVEMEYER.

It is the fashion to call Mr. Havemeyer a Sugar King. But in these days of discredited royalty, when kings in the main reign but do not govern, the term really does not do justice to the authority which he wields. As a sugar king Mr. Havemeyer not only reigns but governs. He is an autocrat whose title there is none to dispute. He controls the sugar trade as the Czar controls Russia. At his nod fifty thousand men may be thrown out of work. At his nod the price of one of the greatest necessities of life may be raised or lowered.

The germ of the mammoth Sugar Trust of to-day was a house in Vandam street, in this city, measuring 25 by 40 feet. Here in the year 1802 two German immigrants took up their quarters. They were Frederick Havemeyer and his brother, William F., who had learned the business of baking sugar in London. Hence the house in Vandam street which they used both as residence and as a place of business, came to be known as the Havemeyer bakery. It was a family concern. When the brothers married their wives did not disdain to take a hand at helping in the little factory. In those times a hogshead of sugar was a very creditable day's work.

Then the business grew in magnitude. An assistant was hired. More were added and the Havemeyers thought themselves almost at the top of the tree when they were justified by the growth of their business in employing a force of seven men, and produced one million pounds of sugar annually. This quantity may seem to us small in these days of big figures, but when we remember that loaf sugar then cost twenty cents per pound, and raw sugar was selling at ten cents, we may conclude that the old firm made very satisfactory profits of their limited trade.

From this humble beginning the Havemeyer sugar refinery started, developing through the years until, in 1887, when the first steps were taken to form the Sugar Trust, the Havemeyer interest dominated the combination.

But the Sugar Trust fell under the ban of the courts, and a new and more sweeping change was made by consolidating all the various companies which had entered into the Trust, and merging them into one great, new corporation. This was done on January 12, 1891, the new company being organized under the name of the American Sugar Refineries Company, which was the result of the consolidation of eighteen companies.

Starting at $50,000,000, the capitalization of the Trust was later increased to $75,000,000, several additional refineries being absorbed at that time.

The total daily capacity of the American Sugar Refineries Company is 20,000,000 pounds, or between 25,000 and 30,000 barrels. The manufacturing plant in Williamsburg alone covers five city blocks, and has a great frontage upon the East River. It is the largest sugar refinery in the world. On the total capitalization of $75,000,000 an average dividend of nine and one-half per cent was declared, but the capitalization, as already explained, represents in itself an enormous profit on the actual money invested.

ONE WAY OF TELLING IT.

"Where's Jones?"
"He stopped with the bear."

Rare Chinese Coins.

The true antique Chinese coins are found in ancient tombs and ruins. Several hundred were discovered in Amoy in digging a grave when the laborers broke into an old tomb several feet below the surface of the soil.

The coins lay in a pretty earthenware jar and were incrusted with a thin layer of malachite that here and there had been changed by moisture into azurite. The coins were sold by the lucky coolies in the next 24 hours and are said to have brought $1 apiece, an immense sum to men working for 12 cents a day.

To succeed in collecting cash a person must be a fine Chinese scholar. The labor thereby involved is so severe as to preclude most collectors from indulging in the pleasure to any great extent.—*Phila. Bulletin.*

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The French Republic.

A writer in Macmillan's Magazine comments on French politics of today and rather questions the future of the republic. He dreads the influence of Radicals and Socialists:

If M. Thiers has been reported truly, he must have been one of the most sagacious Frenchmen of his day, and of all his wise remarks the saying that the republic would be conservative or cease to exist was perhaps the wisest of them all. In medio tutissimus ibis, that was the advice which he gave to the republic, and if there is one thing more certain than another it is this—that from the day when the republic begins to seriously alarm the conservative feelings of the country the end will be in sight. Nobody can doubt that the republic is growing less conservative. The Radicals and Socialists are sensibly increasing; at every general election they win more votes and return more successful candidates to the chamber, where the Moderates, who have lost many of their leaders, are growing proportionately weaker.

Lippincott's Magazine For March, 1897.

The complete novel in the March issue of *Lippincott's* is "Dead Selves," by Julia Magruder. It deals with the emotional and spiritual awakening of two highly superior persons who have managed to reach mature years, and go through a good deal of experience, without becoming acquainted with their latent possibilities—in short, their hearts.

"Father Sebastian," the hero of a short story by Kate Jordan, was one of the martyr-priests of the Parisian Commune. Owen Hall relates an Australian legend in "The Phantom Kangaroo."

"Sue's Weddin'," by Minna C. Hale, is a brief sketch with a sharp point. Helen F. Lovett, in "A Dilemma of the Day," shows how altruism may be overdone.

"Farming under Glass," by George Ethelbert Walsh, is a clear and instructive exposition of what has been done—which is very much—for human food by means of hot-houses.

John E. Bennett writes of "The Deserts of Southeast California," and Prof. L. Oscar Kuhns of the "Origin of Pennsylvania Surnames." D. C Macdonald tells what is to be seen "In the Manuscript-room of the British Museum."

"The Contributor his Own Editor," by Frederic M. Bird, suggests sundry ways in which writers could do their own work, now often neglected, to their own advantage, now often missed. Ellen Duvall discusses "Innocuous Vanity."

The poetry of the number, all brief, is by Florence Earle Coates, Carrie Blake Morgan, and Theodosia Pickering.

McNally's Great Effort.

Peter S. McNally, the champion long distance swimmer and noted life saver, is going over to England in May and in June will attempt what no American has yet attempted—to swim the English channel from Dover to Calais without artificial aid of any kind. The distance across the channel is 21 nautical miles or 26 statute miles. Captain Paul Boyton made the course in May, 1875, in an inflated rubber suit, and in August following Captain Webb, the great English swimmer, managed to get across. McNally will swim without tights, and unlike Webb, will partake of no alcoholic stimulants on his hazardous voyage.

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BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

STATIONS.	EAST. A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1.50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 38	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 18
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 28
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 15	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	...	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 35
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	...	7 40
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	.....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 23
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	.....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07
	A.M	P.M.	P.M.	P.M

STATIONS.	WEST. A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 00
Bellevue	6 05	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 24
Susquehanna Ave	6 32	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	.....	.....	.....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	2 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 50	.....
Plymouth	7 04	10 47	2 54	7 00
Avondale	7 09	.....	2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 04	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 32
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 55	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 58
Berwick	8 00	11 40	2 49	8 06
Briarcreek	8 06	.....	3 55	.....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 30
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 38
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 29	8 41
Danville	8 55	12 37	4 43	8 58
Cauliasky	.....	.....	4 49	.....
Cameron	9 05	12 46	4 54	9 11
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 20	1 00	5 08	9 22
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M

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a m	a. m.	p m	p.m.		a m	p m	p m	a m
7.10	11.40	6.30	2.40	Bloomsburg	8.30	2 40	6 40	6.10
7.08	11.35	6.26	2.3	" P. & F.	8.34	2.42	6.44	6.13
7.03	11.32	6.24	2.32	" Main st.	8.36	2.45	6.47	
		6.20	2.32	Irondale		3.4	6.50	6.25
6.53	11.23	6.12	2 20	Paper Mill	8 44	2.54	6.58	6.37
6.50	11.20	6.09	2.15	Light St	8.47	3.00	7.02	6.50
6.40	11.10	5.59	2.00	Orangeville	8.56	3.10	7.10	7.10
6 29	11.01	5.48	1.35	Forks	9.08	3.20	7.20	7.35
6.25	10.58	5.44	1.30	Zaner's	9.09	3.25	7.24	7.45
6.18	10.53	5.37	1.25	Stillwater	9.13	3.30	7.29	8.00
6 08	10.43	5.27	1.10	Benton	9.21	3.40	7.39	8.40
6.04	10 40	5.22	12.35	Edson's	9.26	3.45	7.44	8.50
6.02	10 38	5.20	12.30	Cole's Cr'k	9.28	3.47	7.48	8.53
5.58	10.35	5.16	12.25	Sugarloaf	9.31	3.52	7.52	9.00
5.53	10.32	5.13	12 20	Laubach	9.35	3.57	7.57	9.10
5.43	10.23	5.03	12.05	Central	9.45	4.07	8.07	9 30
5.40	10.20	5.00	11.50	Jam. City	9.50	4.10	8.10	9.40
am	a m	p m	p m		a m	p m	p m	a m
LEAVE					ARRIVE			

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	A. M.	A. M	P. M.	P. M.
Scranton(D & H)lv	6 45	$ 9 38	$	$ 4 41
Pittston " "	7 08	10 00	f	5 06
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Wilkesbarre....lv	$ 7 30	$10 15	$ 3 15	$ 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	f 7 38	10 20	f 3 21	f 6 04
Nanticoke..... "	7 46	10 27	3 29	6 15
Mocanaqua..... "	8 04	10 45	3 47	6 35
Wapwallopen. "	8 13	10 55	3 57	6 46
Nescopeck .... ar	8 24	11 10	4 08	6 58
	A. M	A. M.	P. M.	
Pottsville..... lv	$ 6 00	$ 9 05	$ 1 10	.....
Hazleton ..... "	7 10	11 05	3 04	.....
Tomhicken..... "	7 20	11 25	3 22	.....
Fern Glen..... "	7 38	11 34	3 33	.....
Rock Glen..... "	7 43	11 40	f 3 39	.....
Nescopeck..... ar	8 07	.....	4 08	.....
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Nescopeck.....lv	$ 8 24	$11 10	$ 4 0-	.....
Creasy ..... "	8 33	Via	4 17	.....
Espy Ferry..... "	f 8 43	Rock	f 4 27	.....
E. Bloomsburg"	8 47	Glen	4 32	.....
		P. M.		
Catawissa..... ar	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
Catawissa.....lv	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
S. Danville..... "	9 14	12 34	4 57	.....
Sunbury..... "	9 35	12 55	5 20	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 4	$ 1 00	$ 5 40	.....
Lewisburg ....ar	10 1	1 45	6 10	.....
Milton..... "	10 0	1 29	6 06	.....
Williamsport.. "	11 0	2 20	7 00	.....
Lock Haven.... "	12 0	3 32	8 00	.....
Renovo ..... "	P. M	4 30	9 00	.....
Kane..... "	.....	8 15	.....	.....
	P. M.	P. M.		
Lock Haven...lv	112 10	$3 45	.....	.....
Bellefonte.....ar	1 05	4 44	.....	.....
Tyrone..... "	2 15	6 00	.....	.....
Philipsburg.... "	4 23	8 26	.....	.....
Clearfield ..... "	5 06	9 09	.....	.....
Pittsburg ..... "	7 00	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 55	$ 1 55	$ 5 30	.....
Harrisburg....ar	11 30	3 20	7 0	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Philadelphia..ar	$ 3 00	$ 6 23	$11 1	.....
Baltimore..... "	3 10	6 00	10 40	.....
Washington "	4 10	7 15	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Sunbury lv	10 05	$ 2 45	.....	.....
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	12 5	$ 4 37	.....	.....
Pittsburg..... "	7 10	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Harrisburg..... lv	11 45	13 50	7 30	.....
	P. M.		A. M.	
Pittsburg..... ar	7 00	13 0	2 00	.....

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	P. M.		A M
Pittsburg.....lv	7 05	8 10	8 00
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg....ar	2 10	3 30	1 50
		A. M.	A M
Pittsburg.....lv	.....	.....	8 00
			P. M.
Lewistown Jc."	.....	7 33	3 1
Sunbury..... ar	.....	9 48	5 10
	P. M.	A. M.	A M
Washington....lv	10 40	.....	10 50
Baltimore ..... "	11 50	4 25	12 00
Philadelphia.."	11 20	4 30	12 25
		A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg.....lv	3 30	8 05	3 55
Sunbury..... ar	5 08	9 38	5 35
	P. M.		A. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	1 00	.....	8 00
Clearfield ..... "	4 09	.....	9 31
Philipsburg..."	4 56	.....	10 14
Tyrone..... "	7 15	.....	12 30
Bellefonte..... "	8 31	.....	1 42
Lock Haven...ar	9 30	.....	2 43
	P. M.	A. M.	
Erie.....lv	3 25	.....	.....
Kane ..... "	7 05	.....	6 30
Renovo..... "	10 35	.....	10 25
Lock Haven..."	11 25	7 30	P. M.
	A. M.		13 00
Williamsport.. "	3 25	8 20	4 00
Milton ..... "	4 12	9 22	4 56
Lewisburg..... "	.....	9 15	4 47
Sunbury..... ar	4 36	9 50	5 25
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Sunbury.....lv	5 25	9 55	5 43
S. Danville..... "	5 48	10 17	6 07
Catawissa..... "	6 08	10 25	6 26
E. Bloomsburg"	Via	10 43	6 33
Espy Ferry..... "	Rock	10 47	6 38
Creasy ..... "	Glen.	10 56	6 48
Nescopeck ....ar	8 07	11 10	6 58
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	.....	11 10	6 58
Rock Glen..... ar	6 52	11 35	7 22
Fern Glen..... "	6 59	11 43	7 27
Tomhicken..... "	7 10	11 54	7 34
		P. M.	
Hazleton ..... "	7 37	12 15	7 56
Pottsville ..... "	8 45	1 20	9 05
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	8 07	11 10	6 58
Wapwallopen.ar	8 18	11 22	7 09
Mocanaqua..... "	8 28	11 32	7 21
Nanticoke ..... "	8 48	11 54	7 42
		P. M	
Plym'th Ferry "	8 56	12 02	7 52
Wilkesbarre.... "	9 05	12 10	8 00
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Pittston(D & H) ar	9 41	12 49	5 54
Scranton " "	10 10	1 16	6 21

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THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897.

Grover Cleveland closes his second term as President to-day, and William McKinley assumes the duties of that office. The new President will find an abundance of important business on his hands, including the Arbitration treaty with England, and the impending difficulty with Spain arising out of the Cuban situation. Besides this, he must give the country a speedy return to a prosperous business era in order to redeem the promises of his party made before the election. The boom in trade that was predicted to follow his election has not come, and the people are becoming impatient.

THE NEW PRESIDENT ON HAND.

Will Take Hold of the Government Reins To-day.

Washington is packed with visitors from every section of the country to attend the inauguration. Trains on all the railroads have been delayed by the immense traffic.

No one can tell whether the arriving train is the Limited express of yesterday or of the day before. The streets are already thronged with visitors; hundreds of "fakirs" who make their living, no one knows how, and who appear and disappear on occasions of this sort with equal mystery, are peddling their McKinley and Hobart badges and other trinkets with noisy pertinacity.

Electrical illumination designs make the streets a blaze of light. All the theaters are crowded, but the greatest show of all, the capitol, with both houses of congress in night session and no charge for admission, was the chief attraction. The public galleries were packed and the corridors were rendered almost impassable by people waiting their turns to take the places of those who left.

McKINLEY LEAVES HOME.

Greeted by Thousands at Canton as he Left That Place for the National Capitol.

The president-elect left Canton at 7 o'clock Monday evening. The citizens, together with business men had arranged for a great public demonstration to bid farewell to their honored citizen and neighbor. The local militia joined in the demonstration, and headed by the famous Grand Army band marched to the McKinley home. All along the route to the depot, which was about a mile, the streets were jammed with people. Cheer after cheer was given them and many women were seen to weep as the president-elect's carriage, drawn by four richly caparisoned white horses passed along.

The space about the station was packed for squares by people who struggled ineffectually to get near the train, which was guarded by the companies of militia. As the President-elect and Mrs. McKinley stepped upon the rear platform of their car the shouts and cheers of the people again arose. Major McKinley seated his wife just inside the door and stepped upon the platform. The cheering was repeated, but quickly ceased as the president-elect raised his hand. His words were:

"My Neighbors and Friends and Fellow Citizens—On the eve of departure to the seat of government, soon to assume the duties of an arduous responsibility, as great as can devolve upon any man, nothing could give me greater pleasure than this farewell greeting—this evidence of your friendship and sympathy; your good will, and I am sure the prayers of all the people with whom I have lived so long and whose confidence and esteem are dearer to me than any other earthly honors. To all of us the future is a sealed book; but, if I can by official act or administration, or utterance in any degree add to the prosperity of our beloved country, and the comfort and well being of our splendid citizenship, I will devote the best and most useful efforts of my life. (Loud and continuous applause and cries of 'We know you will, Major.')

"The assumption of the chief magistrate is of such grave importance that partisanship cannot blind the judgment or accept any other considerations but for the public good of all to every party and every section. With this thought uppermost in my mind, I reluctantly take leave of my friends and my neighbors, cherishing in my heart the sweetest memories and the tenderest thoughts of my old home—my home now and I trust my home hereafter, so long as I live. (Tremendous applause.)

"I thank you and bid you all goodbye."

When he concluded there was a frantic effort to reach Major McKinley but the train was signalled to start. As it moved out of the station the rain which had been threatened all evening began to fall—a fitting benediction to the farewell scenes which had just been enacted.

The Dual Character of Spain.

The following general statement has been handed to a press correspondent at Havana by Consul General Lee, with the request that it be circulated as widely as possible:

Neither our flag or young American women have ever been insulted here. On the contrary, I have always found the Spaniards courteous and polite to all Americans, as well as to every one else.

This statement chimes with the opinion of everybody who has ever come in contact with educated Spaniards. A braver and more chivalrous nation than the Spanish people does not exist on the face of the earth; and a Spanish gentleman is the pink of courtesy. When the brawling Jingoes in the Senate refer to the Spaniards as the "Turks of the West" or as a disgrace to civilization they speak either ignorantly or maliciously. The Spaniard at home enjoys all the liberties characteristic of a modern liberal commonwealth, including a representative Parliament, universal suffrage, trial by jury and an absolutely free press. In view of these facts the conduct of Spain toward her colonies, and particularly toward her Cuban kindred, becomes well-nigh inexplicable.

Spain in her dual character as an enlightened nation at home and in her relations with other Powers, and as a monstrous oppressor in her colonies, has been aptly compared to a gentleman of unimpeachable manners and refined education whose shoulders should be surmounted by three heads bearing six pairs of horns. If such a person should happen to drop in for dinner we would probably be in a quandary whether to invite him to a seat because his good breeding and intelligence entitled him to communion with men, or whether to kick him downstairs because of his horrid aspect. If Spain were simply a three-headed monster without either qualifications, and if the Spaniards were, indeed, the "Turks of the West," our course of action in Cuba would be very much simplified.—*Record.*

How Deficits Are Created.

The appropriation of sixty million dollars by the Fifty-fourth Congress in excess of the amount of appropriations by the Fifty-third Congress ought to be an eye opener for the people of the United States.

There are two ways of creating deficits. One way is to cut down revenue below the amount of ordinary expenditure; the other way is to make extraordinary appropriations without providing extraordinary revenue to meet them. The burdens laid upon productive industry in the United States are exhaustive. Within the past forty years the per capita cost of the ordinary running expenses of the Government has more than trebled. Yet the first act of the McKinley Administration will be to call Congress together in extra session, not to pare down expenses to the measure of revenue, but to levy new taxes for the double purpose of putting more money in the public treasury and more money in the private treasuries of favored individuals and corporations.

When the opponents of frugal government go about the country prating of the deficit occasioned by the operation of our present revenue laws the taxpayer should shake the record of Billion Dollar Congresses in their faces. Every day for the next two years it will require the payment of over one and one-half million dollars to meet the outlay authorized by the Congress that will wind up its work to morrow.

The new Congress and new Administration, chosen by the people when the nation was griped by industrial and commercial distress, will be asked to remedy the condition of affairs by giving another harder pull at the purse-strings of the taxpayer. This is a procedure hardly less ineffective and stupid than trying to put out a conflagration by squirting oil upon it.—*Record.*

Ex-Commissioners Must Pay.

Luzerne County Officials Spent $10,000 on Plans for a Building They Had No Legal Authority to Erect.

WILKESBARRE, March 1.

Judge Bennett to-day handed down an opinion to the appeal of the ex-County Commissioners, P. T. Norton, Thomas Smith and T. M. Dullard, from the report of the late Board of County Auditors surcharging the ex-Commissioners with the $10,000 paid Architect Meyers, of Detroit. The opinion is against the ex-Commissioners and says in part:

"The board bought plans to build a new Court House. They bought plans for the building before they had the legal right to go ahead and build it. Then the court stepped in and forbade them to build it; then the Commissioners had a set of useless plans, which cost the tax-payers $10,000, on their hands."

The Treasury of Columbia County is exhausted, and the commissioners have found it necessary to borrow $3500 for 90 days to pay interest on overdue bonds.

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Estate of Daniel Mericle late of Hemlock Township, deceased

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of the said decedent have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to

THEODORE MERICLE,
Administrator.
Bloomsburg, Pa.

FREEZE & HARMAN, Atty's. 3-4-6t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrators, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

E. S. MILLARD,
J. E. CREASY,
Administrators.

3-4-6t.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of writs of alias Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, state of Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, county and state aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1897,

at two o'clock p. m., the following real estate:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the town of Bloomsburg aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the southeast corner of Fifth and Leonard streets; thence along south side of Fifth street north sixty-four degrees, thirty minutes east four hundred forty-nine and one-tenth feet to a stake on land of R. & B. R. R; thence along same south twenty-six degrees fifty minutes east, three hundred ninety-five feet to north side of Sixth street; thence along same south sixty-four degrees, thirty minutes west, four hundred seventy-three and five-tenth feet to east side of Leonard street; thence along same north twenty-four degrees, west three hundred ninety-five feet to Fifth street, the place of beginning, containing four and eighteen-hundredth acres, whereon are erected a four-story brick

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for the spinning of yarn, barn and outbuildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suits of C. C. Peacock, trustee, and James Magee 2nd, trustee, vs. the Magee Carpet Works, and to be sold as the property of the Magee Carpet Works.

J. B. McHENRY,
Sheriff.

C. W. MILLER, Atty. 3-4-ts.

JOHN R. TOWNSEND,

Merchant TAILOR,

AND Hatter.

SUITS FROM $18.00.

CORNER MAIN & MARKET Sts, BLOOMSBURG PA.

TROUSERS FROM $5.00.

RECEIVER'S ACCOUNT.

In the matter of the Receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Co. | In the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Columbia. In Equity. No. 3, Feb. T., 1897.

Now March 1, 1897, B. F. Zarr, the Receiver appointed by said Court, having this day presented in Court his first account and report as such receiver:—It is ordered that said account and report be filed, and that notice of the filing be given by the Prothonotary for three weeks by advertisement in the COLUMBIAN and the *Republican*; and that a distribution statement be made under the direction of the receiver, showing the *pro rata* application of the balance of moneys shown by said account and report to the creditors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, which distribution statement shall be filed in the office of the Prothonotary on or before the 29th day of March, 1897; and unless exceptions be filed to said account and report before the first Monday of April, 1897, the said account and report will be confirmed by the Court; and also unless exceptions be filed to said distribution statement before the first Monday of April, 1897, the same will be confirmed, and decree made by the Court for the payment of the moneys in accordance therewith.

Advertisement to be by publication of this order. BY THE COURT.

Certified from the records this 3rd day of March, 1897. W. H. HENRIE, Prothonotary.

3-4-3t.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Elias George, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed auditor to distribute the fund in the hands of the accountant in the estate of Elias George deceased to and among the parties entitled thereto; will attend at his office on Centre Street, Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday the 29th day of March, A. D., 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the performance of his duties as such auditor; when and where all persons having claims must present them duly authenticated for allowance, or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

3-4 3t. *JOHN G. FREEZE,*
March 1, 1897. Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Caleb Barton, late of the town of Bloomsburg, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, April 3rd, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to distribute balance in the hands of Dr. H. W. McReynolds and Thomas J. Barton, executors, as per first and partial account, when and where all persons having claims against said estate must appear and prove the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

GRANT HERRING,
3-4-3t. *Auditor.*

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa. Estate of Hannah J. Chamberlin, late of said county, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by said court to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the administrator of said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested for the purposes of his appointment at his office in Bloomsburg, Penna., on Tuesday, March 30, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are requested to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

G. M. QUICK,
3-4-3t. *Auditor.*

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa. Estate of Andrew Foster, late of said county, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by said court to pass upon exception and make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the executor of the said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested, for the purposes of his appointment at the office of C. B. Jackson Esq., in the borough of Berwick, Penna., on Monday, March 29th, A. D. 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

G. M. QUICK,
3-4-3t. *Auditor.*

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, on Monday March 22nd 1897, by L. H. Wolfe, E. H. Eisenhart, Nathan Yingst, G. M. Tustin and C. W. Miller under the act of assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain incorporations" approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto for the charter of an intended incorporation to be called the "Bloomsburg Match Company" the character and object of which is the manufacturing and sale of matches and the manufacturing of match machinery from iron, wood or other metal and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits, and privileges of said Act of Assembly and its supplements

Feb 25-1897. C. W. MILLER, Solicitor.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE

—OF VALUABLE—

REAL ESTATE.

Pursuant to an order of the Orphan's Court of Columbia county, the undersigned administrators of William H. Yorgey deceased, will expose to sale the following described real estate.

A FARM OF 40 ACRES,

more or less, situated in Cleveland township, said county, two and one-half miles east of Bear Gap, on which is erected a large stable and ground cellar. Bounded and described as follows:

No. 1.—On east by lands of Adam Dimick; on the north by land of Mrs. Lucas and Phoenis Thomas; on the west by lands of Elijah Thomas; on the south by Public Road and lands of Samuel Miller; containing forty acres more or less.

Good spring of water on the premises. Also a large, fine

APPLE AND PEAR ORCHARD.

Land in high state of cultivation, and is along public road leading to Shamokin and Mt. Carmel, about seven miles from both towns.

ALSO:—Five acres of chestnut and rock oak timber in Cleveland township, bounded and described as follows:

No. 2.—On the east by lands of Samuel Miller; on the west by lands of the same; on the north by lands of Brit Bodine; on the south by lands of John Kline. Said tract being situated along the foot of "Little Mountain."

Sale to be held on the premises on

SATURDAY, MARCH. 27th, 1897.

at ten o'clock a. m. Conditions made known on day of sale.

H. M. YOCUM,
JOHN BROPHY,
Administrators.

IKELER & IKELER, Attorneys. 3-4-ts.

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THE COLUMBIAN

Opening of Our Spring Dress Goods.

We are now showing our entire line of SPRING DRESS GOODS in all their loveliness. Here they are in profusion from all parts of the world for your selection. Any kind and every kind—you can't help but be pleased. Then our assortment of Silks and Velvets for the trimmings is superb, and the latest designs and colorings. A few hints at kind, quality and prices:

Spring Dress Goods.

Dame Fashion has decreed that the fair sex of our land should attire themselves in rich and rare coloring, in figures quite loud, so that, as they always want to be so manish, their husbands may be able to hear their approach when returning home at night. A few hints at the quality and prices:

All wool spring novelties, 36 inch wide, for suitings, 23c. the yd.

Spring suitings of rare value, 38 in. wide, 48c. the yd.

Spring novelties in all wool, loose woven stuffs, especially good for separate skirts, 50c. the yd.

Shepherd plaids and checked suitings, in all sized checks, at different prices, for suits and separate skirts. Colors, blue and white, black and white, green and white, and brown and white.

All wool Gilbert cloths, in checks for suits, 50 in wide, 50c. the yd.

Grenadines in blacks, 50c. to $1.25 the yd.

Separate skirt patterns, no two alike, in the latest spring styles at moderate prices.

These are only a few of the many thing we are showing in the dress goods line.

SOME BARGAINS.

Table linens are still included in this list.

Hill muslin, rare bargain at 6c.

Unbleached muslin, counts the same and equal in every respect to Appleton A., 5c. the yd.

Shoes.

Our spring styles in children's, misses', and ladies' are in, and they are the best goods we could buy. Coin toes, kid tips, and prices—well the quality is far superior to the prices.

Groceries.

Just received a new invoice of groceries. We sell only the best goods we can buy, and will offer these goods for quick turning, at prices that can not be equaled in town for the quality of the goods. No trash or cheap truck, but good goods at little money.

Prunes, nice, fresh and good value, 5 lbs. 25c.

Prunes, fresh, large meaty goods, 10c. quality, 7c. the lb.

Head Rice, no cracked or broken stuff, worth at least ½ again as much, 5 lbs. 25c.

Rolled oats, none better, A No. 1 quality, 12 lbs. 25c.

Raisins, fat and juicy, 7c. the lb. 10c. quality, 4 lbs. 25c.

Soup beans, nice large ones, 5 qts. 25c. Remember 2 lbs. to the qt.

Large, fine lima beans, 4 qts. 25c.

Mackerel, nice fat fish, average weight 1½ lbs., 2 for 25c.

COFFEE.

We handle none but the best of coffee. Chase & Sanborn's in bulk, and Levering's in package goods. Note the following prices:

Levering, 16c. the lb.

Rio coffee, 20c. the lb. Reduced from 25c. Can't be equaled in town for the money.

A better Rio at 25c. 30c. quality.

Extra Golden Rio, 28c.

Pefection Blend, 30c. Equal to any 35c. or 38c. coffee in town.

Pursel & Harman,

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Not Mere . . .
Foot Covers . . .

but easy, comfortable, stylish shoes.

SHOES THAT ARE CORRECT

That's what up-to-date men want. That's what we sell, and we don't draw heavily on pocket books either. Fitting feet is our specialty, and we assure perfect comfort to every patron. We carry the largest stock of boots, shoes and rubbers in the county, and all new and fresh and bright. Every size, every shape, and prices not too high—nor to low.

Jones & Walter
FEET FITTERS
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

W. W. BUDLONG, Hills Grove, R. I.,

Buys all kinds of raw Furs, Skins, Beeswax, Live Poultry, and living wild animals of all kinds. Price list of Furs for next 60 days for well handled stock. Inferior according to quality. Returns made day goods received. All furs should be sent by express:

Bear,	$ 5.00	$28.00	Lynx	$ 2.00	$ 2.50
Fisher	7.00	10.00	Wild Cat	.50	.80
Otter	7.00	10.00	Marten	3.00	9.00
Beaver	9.00	12.00	Skunk	75	1.00
Silver Fox	40.00	100.00	Raccoon,	2.00	2.50
Cross	7.00	14.00	Common	.70	1.00
Red	1.50	2.00	Musk Rat	.20	.25
Gray	1.00	1.50	Badger	1.00	1.50
Wolt	2.00	2.50	Deer	75	1.10
Wolverine	4.00	8.00	Mink	1.00	2.00

Send me all your Furs you want made into Rugs, Overcoats, Capes, Robes, &c. Prices reasonable. Class of work the best.

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BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure.

Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against alum and all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands.
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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa., as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Welsh are in Washington attending the inauguration ceremonies.

Miss Irene Heck of Shamokin, is visiting at Dr. Mifflin's on Main Street.

R. H. Apple of Milton, was seen on our streets last week.

Louis Bernhard, Jr., of Catawissa, spent Sunday in town with his parents.

E. W. Drinker of Wilkesbarre, was in town a few hours on Friday.

Frank Duval of Wilkesbarre, spent a few hours in Bloomsburg on Saturday.

Miss Ida John and Mrs. William Mackey are visiting friends in Mt. Carmel.

Mrs. James Eaton of Scranton, spent Friday and Saturday with Bloomsburg relatives.

Mrs. J. G. McHenry of Benton, called on friends in town on Monday.

Sam Carbaugh, of Iron Street was a Milton visitor this week.

Mrs. Kate Lazarus of Wilkesbarre, is visiting relatives and friends in town.

William Yost and wife spent Monday in Wilkesbarre.

Peter Lenahan of East Street was a Wilkesbarre visitor on Monday.

Urbanus McBride of Orange township, had business in town on Saturday.

H. M. Hartzell, of Mifflin was noticed on our streets on Monday.

J. C. Brown went to Washington yesterday to see McKinley inaugurated.

Mrs. H. W. Sloan and daughter, Lois, are visiting relatives in Washington.

Mrs. Louisa Dildine, of White Hall, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Derr on Centre Street.

Mrs. E. W. Elwell returned to her home in Towanda last Saturday, after visiting friends here for ten days.

Mrs. M. Sager of Orangeville has been quite ill with pneumonia, but is now recovering.

Miss Margaret McCaffery of Danville, visited at the home of James Lanyon on West Fourth Street over Sunday.

Harvey Harrington of Elmira, New York, was among the visitors to our town the past week.

Dr. C. Z. Bobbins of Shenandoah, has been visiting Dr. H. A. Robbins, on First Street, the past week.

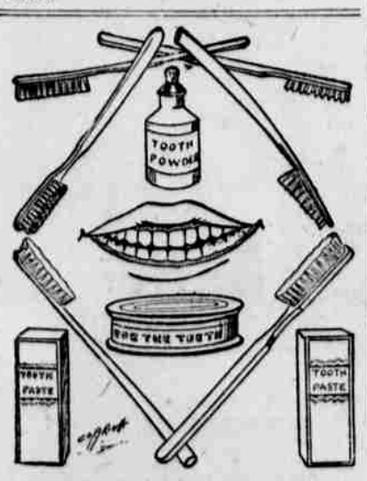
Geo. W. Enterline attended the "Jolly Ten Club" Ball held at Wilkesbarre Monday night.

Prof. Albert, of the Normal, will go to Berwick on Saturday to address the local institute to be held in the Y. M. C. A. Building at that place.

Mrs. Susan Abbet of Colorado, who has been visiting relatives in and around town returned to her western home last week. She started on Thursday.

Dr. J. R. Evans, accompanied by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. L. W. Evans, started on Thursday morning, for Galveston, Texas. On account of poor health, the Doctor has been compelled to make a change.

Eugene Dow of Sioux Fall, South Dakota, Wm Mattern, of Allentown, and Geo. H. Reed of Sunbury, spent Sunday with their friend and former class-mate I. A. Snyder, at the Exchange Hotel. They all graduated in the class of '92, at the New York Trade School.



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Good teeth—good tooth brushes—and good tooth preparations. That's the size of it. A person who begins early in life to take care of his or her teeth, using reliable preparations—powders, pastes or liquids, will have small occasion to pay dentists' bills. We keep dozens of styles of brushes and all the best preparations.

We especially recommend
Rishton's Tooth Powder, 25 cts. per bottle.
Rishton's Guaranteed Tooth Brush, 25 cts.

W. S. RISHTON, Ph. G.,
Opposite P. O. Pharmacist.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Geo. Aurand moved to Plymouth the fore part of this week, where he intends conducting a hotel.

The greatest of all humorists, "Bob" Burdette is booked to appear here March 11th.

Call at the Central Hotel Bloomsburg and have your eyes examined free, and have your glasses adjusted.

Edison's Projectoscope Company, which appeared at the Opera House three nights last week, gave good satisfaction.

Mary, aged two years and three months, daughter of Cyrus Drake, of Sixth Street, died on Thursday of last week.

Ask your neighbor if you want to know what the specialist can do, for he is the only traveling optician who visits this town.

The report that Sarah Albright had taken poison last week was false. She is said to be at Rohrsburg with her mother.

According to the prophesy of Prof. Cole, business is to have a great revival during this month, and the whole country is to have better times.

Several people left here on Monday to be present at the inauguration of President-elect McKinley at the national Capitol to-day.

If the system is fortified by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which makes rich, red blood, there is little danger of sickness.

James Dyke, after a protracted illness, died at Centralia, last week, aged about sixty-eight years. The deceased was a member of Hooker Post No. 43 G. A. R. of that place.

John Bush of Lock Haven, will move his family to Bloomsburg this week. He intends going in with N. Malfaiera, and manufacture candy in connection with the store.

The candidates for appointment to Associate Judge, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mordecai Millard, are very numerous. As far as we have learned there are at least seven in the field.

H. W. Watts, has the contract for building a new house for R. B. Angell on Fourth Street. It will be a single frame house, finished in hard wood, and will be fitted out with all the modern conveniences.

Annie Snyder's Sunday School Class will hold a chicken and waffle supper at her home on East Street on Friday of this week, from 4 to 10 P. M. Supper 25 cents, cake and ice cream extra. The public are invited.

Daniel Mericle of Hemlock township died Monday morning, after reaching the advanced age of seventy years. He was a well known and respected resident. Funeral took place on Wednesday.

A very pleasant evening was spent at a social gathering given by Miss Irene Monroe, at her home in Rupert on Thursday evening last. The time was taken up by music and games of various kinds.

If you are troubled with headache, dizziness and don't see alike with both eyes. Call on the eye specialist, at the Central Hotel, and have your eyes examined free, which for the same examination, in New York, Boston or Philadelphia would cost you from $5 to $10. The eye specialist can releave such troubles if attended to in time.

Sheriff J. B. McHenry has brought suit against the county to recover $1044.00 for board of prisoners from April 30 1896 to January 1, 1897, at 45 cents a day. He was paid at that rate to April 30, 1896, but an appeal was taken and the old board refused to pay him more than 25 cents after that date. The county auditors at the recent settlement suscharged the old board of commissioners with $187.00, the excess paid the sheriff from January 1 to April 30, 1896, and the old board gave notice to the present board to withhold $553 50 from the sheriff to protect themselves, this being the amount of excess paid for 1895 and 1896. Hence this suit.

Thomas' Music Store.

MR. EDITOR,

Dear Sir:

I take this method of informing the readers of your valuable paper that I have opened a music store on Main Street, opposite the St. Elmo Hotel, where they will find a full line of musical instruments from a Jewsharp to a Cabinet Grand Piano. Strings for all kinds of instruments. All goods sold at city prices. Sheet music at half the regular price. Every body invited to call. We came here to make new friends, and keep the old.

Respectfully Yours,
GOMER THOMAS.
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COURT HOUSE NEWS.

What Has Occurred There Since Our Former Report.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk W. H. Henrie, since those published last week:

Calvin C. Gilbert of Fishingcreek township, to Miss Ada N. Kinney of Bloomsburg.

Ambrose Burger of Centralia Borough, to Miss Sarah J. White of the same place.

Christopher Smith of Hyde Park, Lackawanna County, Pa., to Miss Maggie Stine of Cleveland township.

N. P. Butler of Berwick, to Miss Eldora Longenberger of the same place.

Arthur Werkheiser of Bloomsburg, to Miss Harriet Fetterman of Roaringcreek township.

David Thomas of Shamokin, to Miss Edith M. Lawton of Derrs, Columbia County, Pa.

John Cronin of Jamison City, to Miss Ada Masteller, of the same place.

Hudson Vannatta of Jackson township, to Miss Sadie Stackhouse, of Pine township.

A. K. Rhoades of Berwick, to Miss Dora D. Mowrey of Hetlerville.

John W. Knies of Hazleton, to Miss Hattie W. Ringrose of Bloomsburg.

John W. Posten of Bloomsburg, to Miss Sadie Krum of the same place.

TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of C. B. Ent, register and recorder, during the week.

Jacob N. Sult, to William H. Woodin, for tract of land in Briarcreek township.

Daniel W. Breece, et. al. to Sarah A. Werkheiser, for land in Bloomsburg.

S. C. Creasy et. al. to Levi Cox, for land in Bloomsburg.

I. W. McKelvy Ex. to C. W. Neal, Trustee &c., for land in Bloomsburg.

Minerva J. Veats, et. al. to Jerd Heid, et. al. for tract of land in Greenwood township.

Allison Derr and wife, to Samuel V. Derr, for tract of land in Main townsnip.

D. J. Waller Jr., Ex. et. al. to Jonathan O. Armour for land in Bloomsburg.

E. A. Dickson, et. al. to Charles C. Evans for land in Berwick.

C. C. Evans, to Dewal Dickson for tract of land in Berwick.

James Magee 2nd and wife to John W. Evans for tract of land in Bloomsburg.

John W. Evans and wife to Creasy & Wells for land in Bloomsburg.

Richard M. Ware Esq. died at the home of his grandson R. V. West, on Wednesday night at 11 o'clock, aged 80 years, 2 months and 4 days. He practiced law in Woodbury N. J. for about forty years, and retired from business about ten years ago, and since then he has resided in Philadelphia up to two years ago, when he came to Bloomsburg. His wife died in 1880, and his daughter Mrs. West, died here last March. His other surviving children are Mrs. L. W. Batten and Mrs. E. H. Nash of Philadelphia, Miss M. A. Ware of this town, J. C. Ware of Wilmington, Del. They were all present before their father's death. The funeral services will be held on Saturday at 2 30, at Clarksboro, N. J. and the remains will be taken from here on Friday. There will be no services here.

The specialist of the Elmira optical company is again at the Central Hotel from March 4th to the 13th inclusive, and will examine eyes free of charge. Give him a call, for he has been giving good satisfaction.

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS ITEMS.

—Allegheny City is promised 50 cent illuminating gas, as a result of lively competition.

—Schuylkill region miners' wages have again been fixed at 4 per cent. above the $2.50 basis.

—Shenandoah citizens have organized for public relief of many families, the heads of which are out of work.

—An Afro-American League that aims to enroll every colored citizen of Berks County has been organized at Reading.

—By judicial decision at Wilkes-Barre, Ann Wright wins $42,116 in coal royalties from the Warrior Run Company.

—Aged Mrs. John Kappenger was brutally assaulted and robbed by an unknown man at Lavelle, near Ashland last week.

—The Bethlehem Iron Company has reduced the wages of 1000 of its employes 10 per cent., but hopes to give them steady work.

SKIN ERUPTIONS CURED FOR 35C.—Eczema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Barber's Itch, all itching and burning skin diseases vanish when Dr. Agnew's Ointment is used. It relieves in a day and cures quickly. No case of Piles which an application will not comfort in a few minutes. Try it. 35 cents. Sold by C. A. Kleim.

After.... Taking

a course of Ayer's Pills the system is set in good working order and a man begins to feel that life is worth living. He who has become the gradual prey of constipation, does not realize the friction under which he labors, until the burden is lifted from him. Then his mountains sink into molehills, his moroseness gives place to jollity, he is a happy man again. If life does not seem worth living to you, you may take a very different view of it after taking

Ayer's Cathartic Pills.

J. E. ROYS.

Silverware. Silverware.

For One Week Only.

BEGINNING MONDAY MARCH 8,

We will sell one-half dozen of the finest

plated table knives

guaranteed best quality, and one box of J. E. Roys' SUPERIOR SILVER POLISH for $1.59. Regular price of these goods $2.65. Bear in mind, for one week only, beginning March 8, at $1.59.

J. E. ROYS,
JEWELER.

Centralia Wants a Library.

The Philadelphia *Times* is offering a library to the three educational institutions in the state receiving the highest number of votes on coupons printed daily in that paper. The Centralia High School has entered the fight, and is doing well, as it now stands sixth in the list. It is the only school in the county that stands a chance of winning, and it ought to be helped. All persons who get the *Times* are requested to cut out the coupons marked "general" and leave them at this office, and we will forward them to Miss Lizzie Moran of Centralia, a teacher in the school, and a graduate of the Normal. The names of the contributors will be made known. The voting closes on April 30th. tf.

Thousands suffer from Catarrh or cold in head and have never tried the popular remedy. There is no longer any excuse, as a 10 cent trial size of Ely's Cream Balm can be had of your druggist or we mail it for 10 cents. Full size 50 cents.

ELY BROS., 56 Warren St., N. Y. City.

A friend advised me to try Ely's Cream Balm and after using it six weeks I believe myself cured of catarrh. It is a most valuable remedy. —Joseph Stewart, 624 Grand Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Married.

On Tuesday evening February 23rd, 1897, at the parsonage of Trinity Reformed Church, by the Rev. C. H. Brandt, Mr. Arthur Werkheiser and Miss Harriet Fetterman, both of Bloomsburg.

DRESS GOODS

You will find our Dress Goods stock complete with a full line of all the leading

BLACK DRESS GOODS

in plain and novelty weaves. Our lines of

COLORED DRESS MATERIALS

contain all the leading shades in plain materials, figured, checks and novelty weaves, at exceedingly low prices for high qualities.

50 in. Mohair Sicilians black at 39c. yd.
A lot of novelty goods, all wool at 35c. yd.
A lot of handsome checks at 28c. yd.

Silks.

You will find this stock right up to date in every particular. The right styles, the right goods and the right prices.

21 in. Brocade Taffeta Silks, 68c. yd.
21 in. black satin Duchess Brocades, 78c. yd.
27 in. black satin Duchess, plain, $1.00.

Dress Trimmings.

You know the line of these goods we usually show. Just now we are showing the Spring Dress Trimmings. In addition Braids, Boleros, Loops, Buttons, Bands, black and colored Jet Edgings, Yokes, Collars, Fronts, Chiffon Fronts, Bead and Braid Boleros. It will pay you to inspect this line.

Dress Linings.

We show complete lines of all the leading Dress Linings, in Selicia, Percaline, Rustleine, Silkolines, Japonets, Silcots, Ducks, Crinolines. Moreens, Cambrics, Hair Cloth, Silk Linings. Dress stays all kinds. Velveteen Bindings, Braid Bindings, with and without cord, Crinolette facings for Skirts. "Telegram" skirt facing, Prussian Binding, Binding Ribbon, Hooks and Eyes, all kinds. Dress Weights, Bone Casings and Beltings. La Pliante Dress Extenders, real Whale Bones, Horn Bones, Collar Canvass. Sponge Crepon, 10c. a yd. In fact any thing you might want in the way of Dress Findings.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

P. S. BIG BARGAINS in any COATS we have yet. Don't you think it will pay you to investigate?

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

Remember, this is the last week of our special sale of Linens at special low prices.

You can buy $1.00 linen for table cloths at 80c. yd. And $2.50 linen table cloths in patterns, 2½ yds. long for $1.95.
Also $2.50 napkins at $1.95.
$3.00 napkins at $2.50.
$2.25 napkins at $1.75.
$1.75 napkins at $1.39
and down to 50c. dozen.

Other linen goods such as stamped table and bureau covers, with Turkish, huck and damask towels at very low prices.

We have opened our new Muslin Underwear for ladies.

Can show 27 kinds of night dresses, 25c. to $3.75.
20 kinds of skirts, 39c. to $4.50.
25 kinds of corset covers 25c to $1.25.
26 kinds of drawers 25c to $2.50.
We claim the largest variety and finest assortment of them in the county. See if it is true.

Counterpanes are in our white goods sale at special prices, and will close with our linen sale the evening of March 6th.

We have opened up also a new lot of ready made Sheets, Pillow Cases, &c. which you can buy at about the price of good muslin with the making thrown in. New house keepers, hotel keepers, and other keepers invited to see them.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

A GENEROUS HUSBAND

loves to make his wife happy by little *souvenirs* of affection now and then, knowing that even trifling gifts strengthen affection or friendship. Nothing pleases the ladies so much as a handsome Opal or Diamond ring, a pretty watch, a pin or ornament of any kind, or a fine piece of silverware for her table. You will find choice bits at this store to please their fancy.

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Jewelers, Opticians and Stationers. Bloomsburg, Pa.

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WASHINGTON NOTES.

For the first time since the civil war guns mounted on the defences of old Fort Washington, which was supposed to guard the national capital against sea attack, sounded to-day as three shots from modern steel eight-inch guns swept six miles up the Potomac River toward the city and dropped into the water just a little short of the sleepy old town of Alexandria. Fort Washington, twelve miles below Washington, some time after the war was abandoned as a fort, and since then has been in charge of an orderly sergeant; but in the past five years the authorities have been expending thousands of dollars converting it into a modern fortress, and within a very short time there will be such a formidable array of guns and mortar batteries there that no fleet entering the river could ever get above it. The new emplacements, where eight and ten inch guns are to be placed, is on a high bluff where the river makes a turn. Opposite, and not over a mile distant, will be Fort Sheridan, which will be supplemental to the main defences. Here the channel is not over 300 yards wide, and already there is a torpedo system ready to effectually prevent the passage of any ships. Every gun when in action will probably be 200 feet above the water, and commands not only a sweep of twelve miles down the river, but the entire channel up to the city, eight miles away. On the opposite shore will be Fort Sheridan, mounting probably four 12-inch guns and two or three eights. Fort Washington's battery, when completed, will comprise five 8-inch guns, several of the old 15-inch smooth-bore mortars, which are now in place, and capable, it is believed, of sinking any but heavily armored ships, besides the submarine mines to be worked from batteries well protected under the fort.

The Sayres bill, providing for the taking of the twelfth census, does away with the former separate office of Superintendent of the Census by providing that the Commissioner of Labor shall have charge of the work. It also makes the salary of the Commissioner of Labor $6,000 and gives him the power to appoint an Assistant Commissioner who will get $4,000 a year. There are to be five expert statisticians at $3,000 per year each, and many other places that the Commissioner will be at liberty to fill without consulting the wishes of the President of the Senate.

The etiquette between the outgoing and incoming Presidents is exact and rigid. Mr. McKinley will go to the White House and drive to the Capitol, simply a citizen, sitting by the side of President Cleveland. On the way to the Capitol the President lifts his hat to the cheering crowds occasionally, although the new man does most of the bowing. But coming back he keeps his hat on, having then exchanged places with the simple citizen who drove down sitting on his left, and returns sitting on his right and President of the United States. On the return to the White House a luncheon is given by the outgoing to the incoming President, at which the first-named is host and the guests are the members of the two cabinets and their families. When this is over, the outgoing President takes his leave, the incoming President escorting him to the door of the mansion. But this may not be the last time he enters it. On every ocasion that an ex-President visits Washington his first obligation is to call at the White House. He is immediately received, no matter how much engaged the President may be. The head usher acts as his escort, and he is paid more personal attention than any guest who ever enters the house.

Not a great while ago notices were put up in the House wing of the Capitol prohibiting smoking in the corridors, the public offices, statuary hall and the elevators. Employees of the House were specially prohibited from smoking. The doorkeepers and the Capitol police were instructed to rigidly enforce the order. The members of the House, of course, do not pay the slightest attention to the regulations, and some of the police say that inasmuch as the order is not signed by any one they do not believe they could rightly arrest a man or boy should he insist on smoking. "I happened to be standing at the end of one long corridor the other day," said a policeman, "and suddenly I saw a large body turn into that same corridor and come my way. I thought there was a chance to nail a man down for violating the orders. He came rocking along, had an unusually big cigar in his mouth, and you would have thought it was a tugboat from the clouds puffed out. I was about to yell 'Smoking is not allowed in this building,' when to my great astonishment I discovered it was Speaker Reed himself. I felt like telling him he was breaking the rules, but on the second thought concluded he was too big and mighty for me to joke with, so I did not even pretend that I saw him."

"The heating and boiler plant of the State, War and Navy Departments building," said Commander Baird, U. S. N., superintendent of the building, "though not generally known, is the largest in the world. Indeed, there are very few heating plants in existence that even approach it in extent or power. To run it requires 5,000 tons of coal every year. By the arrangements in connection with the coal vaults, the coal goes direct to the furnaces, where it is consumed with one handling and at very little expense. In this respect the heating plant is also far superior to any other."

SENATOR.

NEW YORK LETTER.

The Bradley-Martin ball is now a brilliant memory. The personal testimony of many who attended confirms the published accounts that is was a great success. Other people achieve fame by fighting battles, making speeches, discovering scientific secrets or founding institutions, but the Bradley-Martins have achievd fame by giving a ball. Their names will long be known on both sides of the Atlantic in connection with the affair. A local newspaper correspondent in writing of the function says: "Some persons who have estimated the cost of this ball will be surprised to know what it really did cost. The Martins themselves expended only about $25,000. The actual figures will fall below that amount, if anything. When the cost of all the costumes of every guest is counted, together with what was spent in dinners given by guests before the ball, I don't believe the total cost of the affair to everybody who attended will foot up more than $100,000."

MRS. BRADLEY MARTIN.

Everybody knows that it took money to give the ball, but it is not generally known that it took nerve on the part of many of the women to attend it. There was hardly a woman of great wealth in New York known to be going to the ball, from Mrs. Martin down, who did not receive before the ball at least one letter threatening her life if she attended it. Mrs. Martin received a dozen. Two of them were written in a red liquid of some sort, which the writer said was blood, but which seemed to be paint. Some of these letters informed her that her house was to be blown to pieces on the afternoon of the ball. Others warned her that a bomb would be thrown into her carriage on the way to the Waldorf, while another told of a plot to blow up the ballroom. A force of detectives was watching the Martin house day and night. Every time Mrs. Martin left her house up to the time she left it to go to the ball detectives followed her.

Mr. Boldt, proprietor of the Waldorf, received nearly a score of letters threatening his hotel and his guests.

Between 300 and 400 of the guests at the ball sat for their photographs at Gilbert's studio from 7 o'clock Wednesday evening until 8 o'clock Thursday morning. At one time there were as many as 150 men and women, attired in the costumes of centuries ago, in the gallery awaiting their turns. Not once during the night was there a lull, and Mr. Gilbert and twenty-six assistants were kept constantly at work.

The salary of the Mayor of New York is $10,000, the salary of the Mayor of Brooklyn is $10,000, and the salary of the Mayor of Long Island is $2,500. Brooklyn Aldermen and New York Aldermen receive the same salary, $2,000 each. The Mayor's secretary in Brooklyn gets $3,000, and in New York $5,000. The Brooklyn secretary has only official matters to attend to.

The Presidents of the Union League Club have nearly all attained distinction in public life. John Jay was made Minister to Austria; Hamilton Fish was Governor, Senator and Secretary of State; William M. Evarts was Senator and Secretary of State; Chauncey M. Depew refused a tender of the State Department from Harrison, and is now regarded as a likely selection as Ambassador to England. The present President, General Porter, is supposed to be slated for Ambassador to France; Joseph H. Choate was President of the State Constitutional Convention and candidate for Senator. The Presidency of this club may, therefore, be regarded as a political stepping stone.

Should Mr. Depew go as Ambassador to England he will be obliged to resign his profitable and influential position as President of the New York Central Railroad, and naturally there is already much gossip as to his successor in that position. Among those who have been suggested are Samuel Spencer, President of the Southern Railway, and H. Walter Webb, who is now Third Vice President of the Central and in charge of the operation of the road. Mr. Webb is a brother of Dr. Seward Webb, President of the Wagner Palace Car Company, and a half brother of General A. S. Webb, President of the College of New York.

CYRUS THORP.

Resentful.

"I have a good father," said the young man, "one who, I am sure, always tried to do his duty. I have only one thing with which to reproach him."

"What is that?"

"Human nature is human nature, and I must take it for granted that he is no exception to a universal rule. I don't think I can ever forgive him for the manner in which he used to go around and bore his friends with the smart things I said when I was a baby."—Washington Star.

BASE BALL NOTES.

The National Base Ball League held its first meeting in Baltimore last week commencing on Thursday. We will give the proceedings of this meeting in our notes next week.

It is quite likely that Amos Rusie will remain out of the game this year again. It is too bad that the differences existing between Rusie and the New York Club cannot be adjusted as some clubs could make good use of the great pitcher's services.

We pick the New Yorks out this year as pennant winners. Just keep your eyes on the giants this season, for they are going to stay within reach of the flag from the time the season opens.

Pennant winning teams are by no means money makers, this fact has been demonstrated very clearly at Baltimore, where the attendance has dropped off fifty per cent, on account of the Orioles flying the flag three times in succession.

There will be no great change in the make up of the Phillies this year. They will be as they always have been, nearer the top of the second division than the first when the fall of '97 arrives.

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Wages In 1800.

What we call the "workingmen," "the mechanic," had no existence as classes. Labor was performed almost exclusively in the south by slaves, and in the north very largely by men and women who for the time being were no better than slaves. All over the free states were thousands of Irishmen, Scotchmen, Englishmen, Germans, who, in return for transportation from the old world to the new, had bound themselves by indenture to serve the captain of the ship that brought them over. Soldiers in the army received $3 a month Farm hands in New England were given $4 a month and found their own clothes. Unskilled labors toiled 12 hours per day for 50 cents. Workmen on the turnpikes then branching out in every direction were housed in rude sheds, fed coarse food and given $4 per month from November to May and $6 from May to November. When the road from the Genesee river to Buffalo was under construction in 1812, though the region through which it went was the frontier, men were hired in plenty for $12 per month in cash and their board, lodgings and a daily allowance of whisky.—John B. McMaster in *Atlantic.*

Primacy of Ancient Literature.

You do not know the world until you know the men who have possessed it and tried its wares before ever you were given your brief run upon it. And there is no equity comparable with that which is schooled in the thoughts that will keep. It is such a schooling that we get from the world's literature. The books have disappeared which were not genuine—which spoke things which, if they were worth saying at all, were not worth hearing more than once, as well as the books which spoke permanent things clumsily and without the gift of interpretation. The kind air which blows from age to age has disposed of them like vagrant leaves. There was sap in them for a little, but now they are gone, we do not know where. All literature that has lasted has this claim upon us—that it is not dead. But we cannot be quite so sure of any as we are of the ancient literature that still lives, because none has lived so long. It holds a sort of primacy in the aristocracy of natural selection. —Professor Woodrow in Forum.

SCEPTICS TURN BELIEVERS AND ARE CURED.—"When I read that Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder could relieve Catarrh in 10 minutes I was far from being convinced. I tried it—a single puff through the blower afforded instant relief, stopped pain over the eyes and cleansed the nasal passages. To-day I am free from catarrh." B. L. Egan's, (Easton, Pa.,) experience has been that of thousands of others and may be yours.

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BRUTALITY OF THE TURK.

A Ghastly Scene That Succeeded a Massacre of Armenians,

A procession of four or five scavenger carts met us. The first one passed without notice. Over the second a piece of matting was thrown, and from under the matting protruded the hands and feet of dead men. The third had no covering over its ghastly load of four or five bodies, thrown in doubled and twisted as they chanced to fall. The uppermost body was a horrible spectacle, with only a broken mixture of skin, hair and blood in the place where the skull had been. In those carts were more than a score of bodies of Armenians of the poorer class, who had been killed, not with weapons, but by beating with clubs. The Turkish bludgeon men had been at work on the streets, and the municipality had placed its carts at their disposal to remove the evidences of their crime.

The victims had been battered to pieces merely because they belonged to a hated race. The contempt for their fate shown by the government officials in thus indecently piling their corpses like offals in the scavenger carts and in parading the evidence of its hartlessness before the eyes of club bearers who were waiting opportunity for similar achievements swept away every trace of sympathy for the Turks wronged by the anarchical proceedings of the Armenians at the bank.

From the bridge another horrible sight could be seen. Men were at work gathering dead bodies of Armenians out of the water. Almost immediately npon the outbreak at the bank the Kurdish porters employed at the custom house on the Stamboul side of the harbor, more than a mile from the scene of disturbance, had killed all whom they could catch of their Armenian associates and had thrown them into the sea. The police were now having the bodies dragged from the water in order to be taken away by the carts, and some of the wretches were still alive.—"A Bystander's Notes of a Massacre," by Yvan Troshine, in Scribner's.

The Puff and Its Effects.

It is more fun to see a man read a puff of himself in a newspaper than to see a fat man step on a banana peel. The narrow minded man reads it seven or eight times and then goes around and steals—appropriates—what copies he can. The kind hearted man goes home and reads it to his wife, then pays up his dues to the paper. The successful business man makes money by it; immediately starts to find the editor and then the two men leave the sanctum and silently and thoughtfully down the street together, the business man taking sugar in his and they both eat a clove or two and all life is sweeter, and peace settled down on their hearts for the moment. Such is the experience of seed that falls upon different soil. —*Ex.*

The Shakers have made a great hit. Their Digestive Cordial is said to be the most successful remedy for stomach troubles ever introduced. It immediately relieves all pain and distress after eating, builds up the feeble system and makes the weak strong.

The fact is, foods properly digested are better than so-called tonics. The Cordial not only contains food already digested, but is a digester of other foods. Food that is not digested does more harm than good. People who use the Cordial insure the digestion of what food they eat and in this way get the benefit of it and grow strong.

The little pamphlets which the Shakers have sent druggists for free distribution, contain much interesting information on the subject of dyspepsia.

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The Meaning of Style.

The word style, though but a diminutive word, assumes to itself more contradictions and significations and eccentricities than any monosyllable in the language is legitimately entitled to. It is an arrant little humorist of a word and full of whimwhams. Though it would seem that the people of all countries are equally vehement in the pursuit of this phantom style, yet in almost all of them there is a strange diversity in opinion as to what constitutes its essence, and every different class, like the pagan nations, adores it under a different form.

In England, for instance, an honest citizen packs up himself, his family and his style in a buggy and rattles away on Sunday with his fair partner blooming beside him like an eastern bride, and two chubby children squatting like Chinese images at his feet. A baronet requires a chariot and pair, a lord must needs have a barouche and four, but a duke—oh! a duke cannot possibly lumber his style along under a coach and six, and half a score of footmen into the bargain. In China a puissant mandarin loads at least three elephants with style. —*Phila. Times.*

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The last of the Pennsylvania Railroad tours to California will leave New York and Philadelphia March 27, stopping at Chicago, Omaha, Denver, Colorado Springs and the "Garden of the Gods," and Salt Lake City. Tourists will travel by special train of Pullman palace cars going, and return on regular trains via any route within nine months. Regular one-way or round trip tickets will be issued for this tour in connection with a special ticket covering Pullman accommodations, meals, and other tour features going. The latter ticket will be sold at the following rates: From New York, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, or Altoona, $60.00; Pittsburg, $58.00.

Apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, stating return route desired. 3-4-4t.

A COUNTERFEITER CAUGHT.

The Police of Syracuse Make an Important Capture.

On Monday the 15th Harold Marquisee, of Utica, N. Y., was arrested in Syracuse, N. Y., on a warrant sworn out by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., charging him with forgery. On the 15th of December Marquisee visited a photo-engraver in Syraouse, saying he was the representative of the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., and arranged for the making of a full set of plates for the direction sheets, labels, etc., of the famous Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. News of this reached the home office, and no time was lost in arranging for his arrest when he should return for the plates. He returned on the 15th and was accordingly arrested and is now in jail in Syracuse' awaiting examination, which occurs on March 2d.

This arrest proves to be an important one. In addition to various plunder, such as medical books, typewriters, rugs, etc., found in Marquisee's trunk when arrested, the police also found counterfeit coin both in the trunk and on his person; and in a search of his apartments at Utica found a complete outfit for counterfeiting consisting of crucibles, bellows, nickel, lead, bismuth, antimony, a small blacksmith forge, a charcoal furnace, and several plaster-of-paris molds. The United States marshals want him just as soon as the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. are through with him, and, no doubt, he will be sentenced for a long period.

In selecting Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for his counterfeiting operations, he showed his knowledge of the proprietory medicine business; for these pills are in such great demand that they are easily sold at any drug store in the United States. His scheme was to work the country druggists and sell his imitations at a discount of from 2 per cent. to 5 per cent., explaining the reduced price by the fact that he had picked them up in small lots and at a discount from dealers who were overstocked. By working fast and making long jumps, he would have secured many hundreds of dollars in a short time. The proprietors of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are most fortunate to have caught the rogue, before he had fairly started, and to have thus kept these spurious goods out of the market.

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STATE NEWS ITEMS.

—Measles are epidemic in Hazleton.

—There were 684 deaths in Lancaster in 1896.

—At a ball given for the benefit of the poor, the Easton police cleared $275.

—Rich platinum ores have been found on Dommick McGuire's farm near Ashland.

—At the Mt. Carmel Eisteddfod, Mahanoy City singers won the $75 prize for the best rendition of "Valiant Warriors."

—Pittsburgers explain that the steel rail pool collapsed because it couldn't keep on paying $1,000,000 a year to its idle plants to avoid over production.

—The charter to make Pittsburg a first class city like Philadelphia, so far as government is concerned, is to be rushed through the Legislature, says Representative Muehlbronner, who has charge of it.

—While preparing to go on duty, Thomas Hanlon, a Philadelphia & Reading engineer, dropped dead at his home at Mahanoy Plane, on Saturday.

—The constables of lower Luzerne have organized and will send a committee to Harrisburg to ask for better protection in the constables' fee bill.

—The congregation of Grace M. E. Church of Harrisburg will meet for the next five months in the Grand Opera House, the church having been vacated for the use of the State legislature.

—A number of Blair County citizens met in Altoona Saturday and organized to guard against excessive expenditures by county officials.

—Judge White of Pittsburg, has refused a new trial for Professor C. D. Bogart, of Shenandoah, convicted of assaulting Clara Vokes, a 13 year old girl.

—While playing with fire at Ashland on Thursday 4-year old Harry Leveus was fatally burned.

—Men in railway shops have been put on 10 hours time instead of 9.

—Born in the Luzerne County prison about five weeks ago, little Claude Vinton Reilly died there Friday.

—Six bold tramps with revolvers took possession of a car containing a fine horse at Alburtis, drove out the hostler, fired the car and were arrested at Allentown.

—Burglars' tools and quantities of plunder were found in the possession of Adam Miller, who was arrested at Schuylkill Haven on suspicion of numerous robberies.

—Michael Langton, Joseph Sullivan and Luke Sullivan, of Pottsville, are now in jail there, charged with waylaying and robbing W. G. Spencer, a Philadelphia pack peddler.

—Charles Hoffman, coachman, was arrested at Reading on suspicion of having robbed his employer, Dr. Charles J. Schulze's, money box of $500. Three associates were arrested as accessories.

—Rev. Charles H. Moss, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Allentown, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Mount Auburn Baptist Church Cincinnati, O., at a salary of $3000 a year, with an assistant pastor.

—About one hundred Reading stockholders in the Southern Building and Loan Association, of Knoxville, Tenn., now in the hands of a receiver, have signed proxies in proportion to their shares, consenting to an extension of credit to the association.

An old book quaintly says that "when the whole system is pervaded by well-oxygenated blood, vigorously propelled, life and activity are copiously communicated." Which means that when the blood is purified by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, perfect health is the result.

The Mummy of a Pharaoh.

The greatest discovery of mummies ever made in Egypt was in the year 1881, when the remains of 39 royal personages were brought to light at Dier-el-Bahari, Thebes. One of these was proved to be the mummy of King Rameses II, the third king of the ninth dynasty and the pharaoh of the Jewish captivity. This mummy was in a perfect state of preservation. The mummy case itself was of sycamore wood, plain and unvarnished, and without a spot or stripe of paint, something reckoned as unusual. The case was, however, carved to represent Rameses in the position of Osiris. The crossed arms rested upon the breast. In the right hand was the royal whip and in the left the royal book. The features were most delicately carved in the soft wood, and the whole was surmounted with the crown of upper and lower Egypt and surrounded by a carved representation of the uræus serpent. The name of Rameses was written in plain black characters upon the case, which bore no other text or representation whatever, strongly contrasting with the exaggerated dedications noted on almost all the other cases found in the same pit.

The mummy itself was carefully wrapped in rose colored and yellow linen of a texture finer than the very finest india muslin. In the different folds of this linen several dried lotus flowers and leaves were found. In the folds of one of the bands which passed across the graveclothes to keep them in shape was a folded papyrus bearing inscriptions which informed the reader that this, the mummy of Rameses II, was concealed in the pit, where it was found at a time when a foreign army invaded Egypt. This quaint bit of information, which was probably written 2,000 or 2,500 years ago, is as plain as though it had been penned but yesterday.—*St. Louis Republic.*

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SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1897,

at 2 o'clock in the afternoon,

All that certain messuage, tenement or tract of land situate partly in Cooper township, Montour County, Pennsylvania, and partly in Montour township, Columbia County, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a white oak stump on line of lands of Peter Baylor and Eli Baylor at corner of lands of Jeremiah Beaver; thence by lands of said Jeremiah Beaver south 82 degrees west 125 1-10 perches to a stone; thence 2 degrees 10 minutes east, 65 perches to a stone corner in line of land of Frederick Block; thence by land of said Frederick Block, north 85¾ degrees west 55 perches to a black oak stump; thence by land of Ramsey heirs south 3¾ degrees west 81 perches to a post; thence by lands of Ramsey heirs and lands of Henry Schram 76¾ degrees west 154 5-10 perches to a stone corner; thence by land formerly of Henry Uttenmiller, south 16¼ degrees east 95 9-10 perches to a post; thence by lands of Jeremiah Snyder, north 75 degrees east 52 4-10 perches to a stone corner; thence by lands of Jeremiah Snyder and M. S. Ridgeway, south 16 degrees, 50 minutes east 57 4-10 perches to a maple sprout corner; thence by lands of Mathias Faust, north 73¾ degrees east 101 5-10 perches to a stone corner; thence south 17 1-2 degrees east 12 5-10 perches to a black oak corner; thence north 71 1-2 degrees east 42 perches to a stone corner; thence south 18 degrees east 16 6-10 perches to a post and stone corner; thence by land of Henry Wertman, north 80¾ degrees east 67 6-10 perches to a stone corner of lands of Daniel Cotner; thence north 18 degrees west 28 7-10 perches to a stone corner; thence north 80 degrees east, 24 5-10 perches to a stone corner of lands of John Elfert; thence north 3¾ degrees east 151 2-10 perches along lands of John Elfert, Peter Baylor and Eli Baylor to white oak corner, the place of beginning, containing

275 ACRES,

and 41 perches of land strict measure, be the same more or less. Together with the hereditaments and appurtenances.

The said I. W. Willits having, subsequent to the making of the mortgage under which the sale is to be made sold portions of the above mentioned tract of land to different parties, the above described tract will be sold in parts corresponding with such sale made by said Willits, in the inverse order of the dates of sales by said Willits, except as to a balance of purchase money remaining unpaid upon a sale by Articles of Agreement to Bruce Ploch, and therefore the order of sales, unless modified by an order of Court, will be as follows:

1st. Sale of a portion of said land sold by said Willits to Lewis Thomas, bounded by lands of Mathias Appleman, Henry Wertman, Daniel Cotner, John Elfert, Peter and Eli Baylor and others, containing

125 ACRES,

and 24 perches more or less, situate partly in Cooper township, Montour County, and partly in Montour township, Columbia County, State of Pennsylvania; on which are erected a two-story

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

frame bank barn, wagon shed, and has a spring near the house, with fruit trees, about 75 acres cleared land, being situate about half way between Bloomsburg and Danville, and about one half mile from Grovania.

2nd. A portion of said land sold by said Willits under Articles of Agreement to Bruce Plouch, to the amount of the unpaid purchase money remaining unpaid to said Willits, situate partly in Montour township, said County of Columbia, and partly in Cooper township, Montour County, Pennsylvania, containing about

84 ACRES

of land, upon which are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

bank barn, and wagon shed, and has a spring near the house; about 30 acres cleared land; bounded by lands of Joseph Brebenzer, Charles Ploch, Henry Schram and others.

3rd. Sale of a portion of said land sold by said Willits to John H. Elfert, situate in Cooper township, Montour County, State of Pennsylvania, bounded by land of Henry Schram, Jeremiah Snyder and others, containing about

35 ACRES,

and 15 perches, more or less, about eleven acres cleared.

4th. Sale of the above mentioned part sold by said Willits to Bruce Ploch, without reference to the amount of purchase money remaining unpaid.

5th. Sale of the portion sold by said Willits to Charles Ploch, situate in Montour township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, bounded by lands of the above mentioned purchasers and others, containing

30 ACRES,

and 70 perches more or less, about 29 acres cleared.

More particular description of the several parts will be given at the time of the sale, and the sale in parts will be made until sufficient proceeds may be realized for the payment of the moneys necessary to satisfy the Writ of Lavari Facias.

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J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

CHARLES G. BARKLEY, Sheriff's Office,
Atty. for Plaintiff. Bloomsburg, Pa., Feb. '97

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SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1897,

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

FORKS.

Miss Hettie Richart, one of our favorite young ladies, is back home again, after having a very pleasant visit at Light Street and suburbs.

The new organ of the Zion Church proves quite satisfactory.

A steam saw mill on the timber of Thos Henry is actively engaged in sawing lumber for Mr. Leader, Supt. of the R. R. Mr. Leader seems a popular and efficient manager of the B. & S. road.

E. M. Laubach is busily engaged sawing lumber at his mills.

Miss Myrtie E. Henrie, graduate of Normal, Bloomsburg, is teaching a successful school,—the Savage School house. She will hold an exhibition on the evening of the 12th of March.

Supt. of our public schools, Mr. Miller, is winning golden opinions in his Superintendency. He will, doubtless prove quite as efficient as any of his predecessors.

A pole raising and flag presentation at More's school house on the 12th of March under the auspices of the P. O. S. of A.

The first notes of the blue jay and blue bird are heard.

We trust Beautiful Spring will thrust from her lap Old Winter in a hurry. Let there be no "lingering in her lap."

Jessie Unangst has been seriously ill.

Many of our Comrades are busily talking about the great soldier meeting at Buffalo in August. They say they will get there..

Jack Robbins, a veteran, has gone to join the many comrades who have gone before. At present writing we know not where his remains will be buried.

It is anticipated there will be quite a flood this Spring. The old Fishingcreek is well up at present.

Comrade Harder, of Catawissa gave us a hasty visit recently. He is largely engaged in the planing mill and lumber business at Catawissa, is one of the prominent men of the town. His heart and soul are in the work of getting up a monument in memory of the soldiers in and about Catawissa. Go on, Comrade, you are in the noble work of perpetuating in marble the memory of those who fought and fell for the Stars and Stripes and the Union. But remember there will rise a monument that will outlast your marble shaft—a throbbing, living monument, the hearts of the present generation and the hearts of far away posterity.

Why is it that Washington's Birthday was not more thoroughly celebrated we cannot understand. Have his achievements and those of his compeers faded from our memory? It would seem so. How easily we can forget! The school children of Greece recited daily for 300 years the names of the valiant 300 who fell in the defiles of Thermopylae.

Capt. Gara is engaged buildiug a house in Greenwood. He makes a raid on us every once in a while. Always has a smile in good preservation which he puts on exhibition when he comes.

Wm. Unangst is very much afflicted with rheumatism and sore hands yet he exhibits the remarkable perseverance of getting around.

The blue-bird is hailed as a harbinger of Spring. It is also a reminder that a blood-purifier is needed to prepare the system for the debilitating weather to come. Listen and you will hear the birds singing: "Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla in March, April, May."

He Stared Death in the Face.

With His Foot Caught in a Frog He Could Not Move.

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Orangeville G. A. R. Post.

Although the following should have appeared at an earlier date yet by request we print it in our columns this week.

The installation of officers of the G. A. R took place in the post hall of Orangeville on the 6th inst.

There was quite a delegation from Berwick: Lieut. Col. & Adjt. Hayman and Comrades Roup, Hartman and Barnard. Prof. Lesher, Asst. Principal of Berwick public schools, attended them. Col. Hayman conducted the ceremonies handsomely. Just before the ceremonies one of the speakers, E. J. Bowman, was called upon and delivered a most excellent address. It was an off-hand effort, filled with beautiful and forcible classical allusions. The address was eloquent and masterly, delighting the audience, characteristic of this conspicuous orator, who is so will known in our communities. Prof. Lester then followed with a very interesting address very creditable to his head and heart.

The newly installed officers are: Commander, J. F. Trump; Adjt., C. B. White; Quarter Master, Jas. Amerman; Sr. Vice, A. B. Herring; Jr. Vice, Calvin Herring; Officer of Day, H. C. Conner; Chaplain, Jno. Keller.

After all the ceremonies, followed a sumptuous banquet gotten up by the ladies. The ladies of Orangeville deserve their meed of praise in conducting the festival. Everything went off in good shape. Comrade Trump rendered himself conspicuous in the preparations, and the general oversight as he does on all such occasions.

Comrade Harder of Catawissa, upon the occasion gave an interesting address.

COMRADE.

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HARRISBURG LETTER.

Dr. Swallow's Indirect Charges Against State Officials.

SOME NEW MEASURES PRESENTED.

A Bill to Provide for Pure Beer and Another to Reconstruct the Prison Management of the State—To Push the Quay County Bill.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, March 1.—The legislature during the sessions of last week showed a disposition to work, and succeeded in the dispatch of considerable business. All the committees have been active, and at tonight's session quite a number of bills were reported from the various committees for further consideration. At this period of the sessions it becomes both houses to be as diligent in the work for which they have been chosen as possible, as, according to the developments of the past few weeks, there will be very many questions for both branches to consider that should not be passed upon too hastily.

Each week seems to add additional work to what is usually required, and if this continues it will be well along to the first of July before all the business can be disposed of. A resolution will be offered this week fixing May 1 as the date for final adjournment, but in the present state of affairs this is impossible, as very little will be accomplished this week, owing to the inauguration of President McKinley, and if they get all their work finished by the last of June it will be about as much as can be accomplished.

Dr. Swallow's editorial in The Methodist, setting forth a series of startling accusations that persons have been paid money out of the state treasury who rendered no service to the state; that persons have been asked to sign a receipt for from two to four times as much as they actually received; that articles have been furnished the orphan schools that cost the state eight fold more than reliable bidders were willing to furnish the same for; that the burning of the capitol buildings was if at all accidental was also in a sense incidental, and that it was a logical sequence of having exhausted excuses for expending public money, etc., has caused quite a sensation.

In his testimony before the committee appointed to investigate the cause of the capitol fire Dr. Swallow refused to answer questions relating to these charges, and gave as his reasons that as soon as a certain commission is appointed the witnesses will be forthcoming and the evidence supplied to prove the charges made.

Detectives Have Been at Work, 'Tis Said.

Rumor is current here that special detectives have been at work on this case for some time, and that the charges made in The Methodist is the outcome of their investigation. These charges seem to astonish very many of the members, who are loth to believe that any dishonesty has been practiced by any of the state officials.

It is thought that the business of the state has been too closely watched in the past ten years for any of the officials to practice dishonesty without being found out. But, on the other hand, it is alleged that Dr. Swallow is a reputable citizen, responsible for his acts, and deserves to have a hearing, and if he can substantiate his charges let the guilty be punished. He claims that he will not divulge further information unless a committee is appointed entirely devoid of any political influences, and when that is done he is prepared to disclose some very startling news. He seems to invite a prosecution and a trial through the courts, in the belief that he will be enabled to more thoroughly investigate and prove to the satisfaction of a fair minded jury that his accusations are correct.

The friends of Dr. Swallow claim that an indictment brought by state officials against the doctor for libel on the strength of the publication is just what he wanted. This accusation will no doubt result in the appointment of another committee composed of members of both the senate and house to inquire into these charges and ascertain if there is any truth in them. It is probable that the members of the committee to investigate the food and dairy commission will be announced this week, and a beginning made to investigate this department.

Dr. Swallow claims he is receiving offers of assistance from different parts of the state to aid him in his prosecuting the charges he has made. One wealthy gentleman has offered to go his security to the amount of $100,000. His arrest has brought to his assistance many who are anxious to aid in having a fair and complete exposition of the purchasing agents of the state supplies.

There are now three investigating committees, two of which are organized and at work, and the third will be ready to commence business in a few days; and it is possible there may be other developments to follow requiring more investigations.

Some Proposed New Laws.

Among the new bills introduced recently was one which provides that the minimum salary hereafter paid to all teachers of the public schools shall be $40 per month, and another fixing the school term at eight months.

Another bill which has been offered will affect every beer drinker in the state. This provides that brewers shall keep all beer in stock for at least six months before it is offered for sale or put upon the market. In the event of this becoming a law it would contemplate the appointment of pure food inspectors, whose duty would be to inspect breweries, as well as have regular and systematic chemical analysis made of the beer brewed and sold in the state. A similar law has been in effect in England for many years, and has been the means of securing a quality of pure malt liquors, free from any adulteration. Considering the amount of beer used in the state annually it is thought there should be some measures established looking to the purity of its manufacture.

What is in reality the Raines bill of New York is another liquor bill which has been introduced. This provides for the sale of liquors in hotels on Sunday, or at any time of the day or night to those who are designated legitimate guests of the house.

The chairman of the committee on appropriations has given out that the appropriations asked for the ensuing two years by state and other institutions for support, new buildings and other causes amounts at the present time in round numbers to $28,571,720, while at the same time the estimated revenues from all sources for the ensuing two years was only a trifle over $19,000,000. This estimate does not include an appropriation for the rebuilding of the new capitol. The demands for appropriations are not all in yet, and it is altogether probable that $30,000,000 would be required to satisfy all the demands.

The State Forestry Reservation.

A bill introduced for the state forestry reservation provides for a commission to be composed of the forestry commissioner, chairman of the state board of health, deputy and secretary of internal affairs and two other persons to be appointed by the governor, with full power to take by right of eminent domain and condemn lands, which shall be paid for by warrants drawn upon the state treasurer. Forest reservations are to be established of not less than 40,000 acres, upon waters which drain mainly into the Delaware, Susquehanna and Ohio rivers, and each as far as practicable to be one continuous area. The land selected is to have an average altitude of 600 feet above the level of the sea.

It is proposed to maintain free scholarships in the Pennsylvania State college for graduates from public schools, and the bill introduced provides for two free scholarships for each senator and two for each member, and ten for the state at large, to be appointed by the governor.

A bill presented in the house a few days ago provides for a state railroad commission of three experts to be appointed by the governor to hold office for five years. They are given full power and supervision of the railroads, and have the power to investigate accidents. The salary of each is to be $4,000, and a chief clerk is to receive $2,000. This measure is not likely to receive much consideration, as there are now too many sinecure positions in the state. This is the opinion of a number of the members, and it is now time to call a halt on such legislation.

The Proposed Quay County.

This week several new county bills will be introduced. These will provide for Quay county, of a part of Luzerne and Schuylkill, and form a new county from parts of Washington, Fayette and Westmoreland. These bills provide that the territory divided must have an aggregate population of 750,000. The proposed new county is to have not less than 40,000 people, 400 square miles of territory, and no line must be within ten miles of any court house.

This bill is likely to provoke a lively contest, as there are other districts interested in the formation of new counties, and this measure will shut out any possibility of their accomplishing their purposes. Owing to this opposition it is doubtful whether any legislation of this kind can be accomplished during this session.

The impression is general that the short sessions and frequent adjournments of the present legislature have a significance, and among the reasons assigned for this the chief one is that an excuse can be given for not reapportioning the state into congressional, senatorial and representative districts. It is thought that a very grave error will be made if this is not done.

The state, it is claimed, has now nearly 2,000,000 more population than it had at the time the last apportionment was made, and if ever there was a necessity of the kind it is at the present time.

There seems to be no excuse for not giving this matter special consideration, and the failure of the powers that be to legislate in this direction will bring them into disrepute with the majority of the people, and weaken their influence in controlling the affairs of the state in the future.

Reform in Prison Management.

The bill now pending before the legislature which may be known and cited as the prison act of 1897, and which provides for the taking under state control and support of the entire prison system of the commonwealth and all its counties, is still in the hands of the committee to which it has been referred, and is said to be receiving a consideration that augurs well for its passage. The measure was drawn on lines largely suggested by General Isaac J. Wistar, of the board of prison inspectors. It proposes to consolidate the 67 county jails of the state into a smaller number of larger and better jails; to abolish factory labor by convicts, substituting manual labor as far as possible; to provide separate accommodations for untried prisoners, first offenders and reformable convicts, and to establish separate wards for insane convicts and for female convicts.

In discussing the measure General Wistar said: "It is expected that this bill, if it becomes a law, will give first and permanent satisfaction to honest outside labor. It will do away with factory and machine work and take prison labor out of competition. One feature of labor in this connection will constitute a great saving in the line of construction of buildings. There need be but a small first cost in connection with the proposed new jails. The necessary sites can be secured at low rates if proper precaution is observed. The construction of restraining walls ought not to cost beyond $30,000 in each instance, and after that the convicts themselves, temporarily housed in barracks, can erect the permanent jail buildings. At the Eastern penitentiary we erected a new section of 23 cells at a cost of $11,000, with convict labor, that would have cost fully ten times as much if let by the contract.

"The number of jails in England was reduced some years ago from 113 to 59, and the result was not only a saving of $200,000 in salaries alone, but a perceptible decrease in crime, owing to the improved system. As a matter of fact, from 30 to 40 per cent of the expenses in this connection are general fixed expenses, so that the great saving can readily be recognized as possible in the line of subsistence. Sheriffs now charge 50 cents a day for feeding prisoners. The cost per day in the Eastern penitentiary is 18 cents. There is no reason why this proportionate saving cannot be maintained in the proposed consolidated jails."

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